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Friday, May 12: Dressed, to be ready, for the coming of the "Sabo", which was at Kribi and Waterfall. Copied notes of Epumbwe's Tale, of last night. At 1. P.M., went, in King's Factory boat, with the Factor of Lubke's house. Visited Capt. Yandley, on the "Sabo", taking a present of oranges. The Purser was Mr. Humphries, formerly of Gaboon. After Supper, King Madola came, to tell me what he had heard at Kribi, about the machinations of the Re C. Priest ~~aig~~ against our Schools. Some rain, which made a small attendance at evening Lecture.

Sat.y May 13: After breakfast, went to Ekikiriki, to ask Dr. Weber to go with me, on Monday, to Kribi, to the Distr. Com.r, to inquire about the matter of which King Madola told me last evening. Not a very satisfactory interview with the Doctor. On my return, the fresh beef I had ordered, yesterday on the steamer, arrived, through Mr. Harrendorf, of Lubke's. Worked on my sermon for to-morrow. Mbuta-Bipipi came to help me, on the notes I had made, some days ago, on doubtful records of the church-members. Ekâkiie came back from Ebenja. A note, in

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German, was handed me, as I went to supper, from the R.C. priest Adam. I could only make out the names of his cook, who has wanted to marry Ukutu's daughter, Mwini; but, I do not understand it.

Sabbath May 14. Immediately after morning prayer, a wail was raised, in town, of the death of the infant of Rev. Edwa. This diminished the morning congregation. After Service, I called Ukutu, and returned to him the note of the R.C. priest of yesterday, as it was not addressed to me.
A small Sab. Sch. At 4.30. P.M., in a small shower of rain, the burial of Edwa's child. After this, he came to tell me of machinations of the priest to close all our schools.

Monday 15 } At 7.30, started, with 3 men, and a
Tuesday 16 } hammock, for Kaibi; but, I used the hammock only 1/4 of the way. At Kaibi river, Mr. Morris, of Holt's, sent me across in his canoe (I did not know that the bridge was now safe to cross). At Mr. Sonnenberg (H.&C.), Dr. Weber was already arrived. After lunch, I explained to Mr. S. what I wanted him to interpret for me,

at the Dist. Court, of some false reports against me, by the R.C. priest Adam. At 3 P.M. we 3 went, to call on Mr. Mühlbing (Rec'r here 3 years ago) & I disabused his mind. Dr. Weber was detained, on an examination of Rev Fabia's health. Mr. S. and I went to see the Dist. Com'r, Regierungsrath Steinhausen, We met him on the road; I thanked him for his interference, 2 weeks ago, for Ndanga's wife; & Mr. S. explained about our schools, and the R.C. priest's falsehood. Returned to Mr. S. Factory. Dr. Weber went back to Batanga, on his steamer. I remained all night.

On the 16th, rose early, Read, on the veranda. Declined Mr. S. invitation to remain for 9 A.M. breakfast, & to allow him to hasten it at 8 A.M. He prepared coffee & crackers, and, suddenly came an attack of Nausea & Vertigo, & vomiting & evacuation of lower bowels, which continued for an hour, Then I started, weak, but, my head under my control. Started, in hammock, but left it, most of the way, using it only 1/3 of the way. At the Station, sent one of the men on ahead, & I stopped to see Dr. Weber; a talk satisfactory,

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except about the Waterfall School. Back home, by 11.30, and quite revived by the walk, notwithstanding my sickness of the morning. Attended to some small jobs. At dinner, told sister acct. of my journey. Sorted over the oranges; distributed to the school-boys. Explained, to teacher Njamwa, to do more about German, to satisfy the Govt. Ndanga-Bobala came, to tell of the unsatisfactory treatment the Mabaya people of Dibuně give him, heavy rain at night.

Wed. May 17: Dr. Weber came, while we were at breakfast, & brought consignment of cash from Treasurer Adams of Efulen. He told us of robbery of the widow Merkel's goods from the "Prospect" house, into which some chief had stolen. Paid my Bill at King's factory. Looked up some records in the church Minutes. Sent an English £5 note to Dr. Weber, in payment of his loan of 100 marks, about two months ago, by hands of Massida, & also by him to Kibi, my Bill of H. & C. In afternoon, wrote out the notes of Epembawe's Tale of Monday night. Distributed palm-nuts. Changed Njamwa's school into the church, as the little school-house is too

small. Gave directions to Unjinja, about larger teaching in German. He complained that the people of Ebenja did not(?) fulfill their promise to provide food. In the morning, at Kings, found Mr. Metcalf, of Holt's of Kribi, & a German from Campo, just as I was leaving, came the R.C. priest Adam. At night, Mokonda arrived back from Kribi with no receipt of my £5. note. A heavy rain came up just after his arrival.

Thursday May 18. Dr. Weber called here early, returned my due bill, and we consulted about the schools. Still studying up on the church-records, in the history of the unjust and long-continued persecution of Ekâkise, in the church-session. Ndanga-Bobala visited, on his way back to his school at Dibiene. Bitahangâ came, to tell about his son, Mukâkâ, wishing to return to Mission service. Ngomba, who had come about 3 weeks ago, to tell of the violent assault on him by son of King Bevingé, came to tell of the success of his suit before the Dist. Com.? at Kribi. Made a few presents to Ekâkise and Betâmé. Njamuwa's school daily increasing in numbers.

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Friday May 19. Spent [illegible] of the day in a revision of my "Story of Ekâtise". In afternoon, went to King's, to buy some things; but Mr. Ackerman was in [illegible]. Schmidt came to see Sister Bella, & to take tea. In evening, went to visit in town, at old Njongo's, - at old Mutuwell, & at carpenter Jangab, where I met also Badiwedi; and, as I came away, met Bovaro, & wife of Rev. Edwina. In evening Lecture, several young men left the house, to go and bring Mûwê's son, Divalie, who was sick at Kaibi.

Saty May 20. He came returned last night without Divalie; his friend, at Kaibi, retained him [illegible] vicates him. Revising my "Story of Ekâtise". [illegible] to the Station for things & at twelve. In afternoon went for mails, in procession, to Kudenling's & Hoto. They had none. Then, I went myself, and got some; also small mirrors, for Ekâtise & Betâmi. Repaired the front gate. Carpenter Jango making me a small box, & repairing Sister Bella's. Old Ngombe going with goods, to return the dowry of his daughter's broken marriage with Bevingi's nephew. Ekâtise brought her niece, Mafuta, & the young woman, Njanja, to say good-bye, for

this journey to Kibi. Madiga came to tell of the violence of a Kibi man, who came in her house to assault a sick cousin she was taking care of. I am disheartened about the backward course of the Batanga people.

Sabbath May 21st. Pleasantly cool morning. The church audience was restless, and the infants made much crying. A very quiet day in the villages. Very small Sab. Sch. Many young people at church in the evening.

Monday 22d. Wrote letters to Mr. Harris at Efulen. Continued the revision of my "Story of the Ewe." A heavy rain in morning. In afternoon, at 4 P.M., started with Ungija, to Ebunja, to see about the school. Made the walk in a little over 1 hour. Met by Ungija, Matanga, & others. Into the school-room the children gathered; but very few adults came. Had an unsatisfactory talk about their duty of providing part of the teacher's pay. When the company dispersed, went to Madiwa's house, where were only the 3 other men. Ikawa told me the story of his trouble with Mr. Somerberg at Kibi. I felt neglected that no one offered us food. Some rain. When it ceased, started, after 8.30, & reached home by 10 P.M.

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Tuesday, May 23. Wrote to Lecy Halsey, Continued my revision. To-day, Chief Bobela compelled our Pastorates, in Bapuku, to carry stone and sand for the R.C. building, under threat of flogging. A goodly number of members at Class. The cows becoming very annoying about the church-building.

Wedy 24th. After breakfast, went to talk with Bobela, about his action of yesterday, — only partly satisfactory result, bothering my revision of my Stays. Did not feel well all day; a dull headache. Retired early at night. At noon, Rev. Mbula had gone to Mbonge, for 2 week, to do Session work & hold Communion.

Thursday 25th. Had taken calomel tablet last night, & felt weak under its operation; but my headache was gone; and, during the day, completed my revision. After supper, walked out in the Bongahili villages.

Friday 26th. Was told that a certain church-member, Enjilo, at Bapuku, was dying. And, after breakfast, Deacon Njaku came to call me. I first went Sea-side, to see if the "Sabo" which had come in at 6:30 A.M., was still there. Her boats

had already gone, & I sent Masinda to Kribi, with some mail. Went to see the sick man; he was speechless & apparently unconscious. Prayed with them. Came back and met Njebote, the head-man of Dibene, come to see me, about Ndanga's phaal. He & Mbola-Dipipe came to my house, & we had a satisfactory talk. Read. In afternoon, Ekakia came twice, once for bread-fruit, & once for the palm-nuts from the tree in her garden. In evening, went to town, to Jonga, to pay him 1 mark, for his carpenter work: a talk with him about the damage done by Madola's cattle. I had sent for Ekombili, & rebuked him for consenting to our christian woman being compelled to work for the R.C. Chapel.

Saturday May 27: My eyes still hunting me, in the mornings. Looked over notes of Tales, & my published articles. In afternoon, old Jike, of Ebuja, stopped to see me. Ndanga-Mbola reported to me from Dibene. The funeral of Enjilo, from the church at about 3.30 P.M., & I went to the grave at the separate cemetery, near Ekakike's: people very disorderly at the grave. After supper, I went

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to Mr. Ackermann's (King's), to learn if he had brought any news from Fritz. Only a report that the Japanese fleet had met with a reverse. Mr. A. has a very fine graphophone.

Sabbath May 28. Last night, a wail went by, & I knew some one was dead. This morning, was told that a church member, Jenga, an old woman, sister of Mbulo-Dikéfé, was dead, suddenly. Rainy morning. But few at church; however, Mbula was very good to come. Only 40 at Sab. Sch. Immediately after Sab. Sch., the funeral, buried near Ekitéké's village. Conducted evening service, People are paralyzed by these 2 deaths.

Monday 29. Showery morning. Dr. Weber came, to tell about his suspicions of those who have been stealing Mrs Menkel's goods from the "Prospect" house. Felt sleepy & wearied from yesterday. Ephumbu came to ask advance on his wages; told him to wait for pay-day. He complained against his wife. In afternoon, a schoolboy came to wait for a book. Ronji putting up the new grenadilla fence. Wrote to Mr Webb & Philips, & to Mr. Ford of Gabon, & to Mr. Adams of Efulen.

Tuesday May 30. A cool morning. Felt feverish; did not do much in the morning. In afternoon, with Mbonji looked over my trunks. Inquiry class at 3 P.M. Cold afternoon. Helped replace the granadilla vine on the rebuilt arbor. Ekâkiie came, with a sister of Dinale, who is suspected of stealing Mrs Merkel's things. Very heavy and cold rain. Dark night, & few at the Prayer Meeting.

Wed'y, 31st. Quite cold last night. Home mail came. Spent much of the day in small jobs. In afternoon, looked all through my trunks, & repacked some of them. Distributed the weekly payments. In evening, some mail from Efulan, and copies of the Minin letters.

Thursday June 1st. Writing almost all day. Sent letters and papers to Ubonji, for Ekiikie, & for Rev. Ngande, at Evuna, & a session citation to Bata. Wrote to Mr. Adams at Efulan a long letter, & to Dr. S. Z. Johnson, & to Mr. Ford, & Mrs Ainsley. Bonji sick, not working to-day. Gave Ekâkiie one of my old trunks. After supper, walked on the beach, & strolled through the villages. A dark night.

Friday June 2nd } Writing letters. A woman, Dinahe,
Saty " 3 } came to show me a shoe, which

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she had found in her garden, near Ekikeluk. It was Mrs Merkel's, & the they had dropped it in that garden. Dr. Weber came to see me, early in afternoon, about the Dibene school, - Adenga, - the action of Efulen. A very unpleasant task; the Doctor's policy of sacrificing me & Batanga to the Roman Catholics, for the sake of saving the interior Stations. Went to bed in evening feverish and headachy.

Saty. Rose with headache. Did but little all day. Many children at the house, all day, - some for work, and others for play with my automatic toys. Walked on the beach, after supper. The strong S.W. dry Simoon wind.

Sabbath June 4th. A clear, pleasantly cool day. A good audience, in morning; unusually good number at Sab. Sch. An unusual display of dance by the women.

Monday, 5th. Rose stiff and sleepy and dull; "Blue Monday". A number of small jobs. In afternoon, important visits from Ekâkiro, Ihana, Bofele, Rev Edema, and Elder Bilahangwe. Rec'd my salary, for May, from Efulen. After supper, went to see Mr Ackerman, to ~~pay~~ exchange two £5 English bank-notes. Want to see Bidden, at his

dismantled factory. Paid sister Bella my boarding bill, for April & May.

Tuesday, June 6th } Expecting English steamer from [illegible]
Wedy " 7th } Made no entry on Journal.

On the 7th. A Dry Season day; dark, and some rain late in the day. Steamer at Kibi; news of the destruction of the Russian Baltic fleet by Japan. Return of Rev. Mbula, from Mbanji. Jaba called to see me, made efforts to write, but, did not succeed. Began to answer the letter of Rev. C. R. Erdman.

Thursday 8th. Quite like Dry Season, [illegible] rough. Gjidi, the Benga woman, from Gaboon, surprised me by arriving from Benita, & Kibi, on an errand of at King and, as a poor(?) woman, from Batanga chamberes. Finished a letter to Rev. C. R. Erdman. The English steamer still at Kibi. Pahani, from Ebenja, visited me, with a fowl; quite a number of women called, during the afternoon.

Friday 9th. After breakfast, saw that the Eng. S.S. [illegible] 14th had left Kibi; went to King's factory, to wait for boat to come. Came back to the house, Mr. Ackermann sent me word that steamer was coming here. Went again. Three boats in succession came to Lubeke's landing. Saw Bro. Weber & Bolundan standing

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there. Dr. B. got into one of the boats, & went to steamer, to go to Bata. The Benita boat had left, in morning. When finally a boat came to King's, I got in it. But, on way to the steamer, met launch, & Officer told us this was the last boat, & it was to go back ashore with the Customs Officer. I got into the launch, & then, concluded a way to return, got out, entered the boat again, giving the Officer my letter & Sister's box of ivory-points, for Lovango. Went ashore: had forgotten, among my letters, a draft for $50. Again went off in the boat to the launch, got my draft, & returned ashore, very tired, & eyes dazed with sunlight. Returned to house about 11.30. Too fatigued to enjoy my dinner. Did very little in afternoon; rested & dozed some. Mrs Schmidt at supper. After supper, went to Bafuta, to see Bohemians. Good attendance at evening Lecture.

Monday June 10. Woke at daylight, with nausea & vertigo. Had not had an attack for some time. Retched a great deal, but vomited nothing; was nothing on my stomach. Excretions were not bitter nor acid, only saline. Fæcal vacuation not large. In 2 hours, I was able to rise,

and drank some coffee; and, at 10. A.M., some tea. Strolled to the Factory; no. Afternoon passing off carriers from the interior. Head was too heavy to do any writing. In afternoon, Bofale came with the R.C. Kribi man who wants to marry Ikwa; they were on the way to Dubula-Difupe's village, to take Ikwa, who was unwilling. I sent one of our workmen specially to go and see whether Bofale attempted to compel Ikwa. Ekatise planning for building a house. This vestige of mine a very strange affection; it does not diminish my appetite.

Sabbath June 11th. My stomach and head were not clear at rise; not many men at church; they were scattered, by last night's storm, and the Govt. seeking a draft of porters for the interior. After Sab. Sch., many children coming to see pictures. Moonlight, but obscured with clouds. Story of theft, at a Kribi Factory, by one of its clerks, revealed by another clerk - remarkable honesty.

Monday, 12th. Felt very dull and tired. A note from Elder Ekafi, calling me for a funeral service of a baptised young girl, at Lobi, for

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4 P.M., Dr. Weber came to tell his plan about the Schools. In afternoon, went to Lobi; a very large gathering, & very solemn & decorous funeral; even King Bevingé joined in the singing. After the funeral, I spoke to Bevingé against, what I heard, of the R.C. priest wanting to use our Lobi chapel, for his School, which he expects to start.

On the way back, stopped at Thithiki, & saw Mrs Weber; got 7 hinges, & some old boards.

In passing through Bapuku, at Nubula-Dififfi's town, was told the R.C. priest had been there, with the Kibi man who wants to marry Shana, & he threatened to use force, to compel the marriage. All these R.C. difficulties took away my appetite, & I ate no supper.

Tuesday, June 13th. My head was still heavy this A.M. Nubula-Dififfi came to say that the R.C. priest & the [illegible] had come, Shana (Ewala) had again refused them, & the priest had been much milder than yesterday. Copying notes of the Folk-Lore Tale the Spirmbow gave me last night. Ground very dry with the Dry Season, & sea rough, too rough for any but the most skilful fishermen. Mawé, who beated his wife, Ekáline, so shamefully two

years ago, is now sending word to her, through the medium of Mary, son of Bohimo, wishing to marry her again. But, she does not forget his lies about her, and his disgraceful treatment of her. A slight rain to-night.

Wed'y June 14th. Completed copying the note of the Folk-lore. Mending my clothes. Some 3 men from the Interior. Tried to write letter. In afternoon, Dr. Weber came, with Ebende, the teacher at Bwambe, + Bapuku; so, with Rev. Nubila and Nubila-Dipipe, we arranged for the teaching of the schools. Had coco-nut gathered from a tall tree, giving the lad who climbed 1/10, for his work, of the number gathered. Distributed all the 44 nuts. Moonlight.

Thursday, 15th. Copied notes of Ebendwe's tale, of last night. Wrote letter to Sec'y Brown, and sent it by Masida to Kibi. An excom. ch-member, Eula, came to inquire about returning to membership. Had gone, in A.M., to Mr. Atkinson, for the day cod-fish; but he had none. Was quite tired with my hurried writing. Dry season distinctive daylight-day. Full moon to-night.

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Friday 16 June. Mamiti, whom I had sent to Kibi yesterday, on an errand, did not return till 10 P.M., when I had been in bed for an hour; but I was not sleeping. Was sleepy to-day. A beautiful day. About noon, "Puttkamer" steamer came. Was annoyed at Ekâkitie's work, in the cassava garden I have allowed on the premises; Mubela-Bipôpê returned from Lolabe, Deacon Njâtu came to chat about our Boat, young woman marrying R.C. young man. Felt very depressed at the R.C. hindrances to our work.

Saty June 17. Wrote a few letters, and did some jobs in the yard; but, did not feel energetic all day. Was disappointed that the Lolabe people did not come to arrange about their school. Masombani came to see me, and evidently had something on his mind; but, he annoyed me by sitting, and saying nothing; After supper, went to stroll in Bapuku.

Sabbath 18. A bright warm day; felt it warmer, because I had put on my dry season thick under-shirt; A good & attentive audience, in the morning & evening; Baptized small Sab. Sch. In old Apostolic

village near me, a man, Ifuwa, is dying.

Monday June 19. A crowded day. Some jobs with my shoes & clothing; Balaki came to take my package of magazines to Kibi, and newspapers for Lasemi to Plantation; one of Ewila's wives, with a tale of brutality, & he pretending to desire return to the church; Madolamma Idik told me of Bevéuyé's aid to the priest, for a school at Lobi; Dr. Weber came, a long talk about the schools, & about the first-availing one about Ihawa's (Ewala's) refusal to marry a R.C.. After dinner, the suspended ch-woman, Liti, came to talk about her name; 2 women came to enrol themselves in the Inquiry Class; Marcelain came to talk about being a teacher; Bataanga came to salute me; school-boys came to play with my mechanical toys; girls came to hunt for palm-nuts; Modija was talking with Sister Bella, about her quarrel with her daughter Mokwa; After supper, strolled on the beach; Sister took with a Magic-Lantern Exhib. in the school-room.

Tuesday June 20. Eng. mail steamer returned, from South. Writing letters, to send for the German mail. Waiting in turn, for the death of the

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heathen man, Ifuwa, whom the R.C. priest baptised when he was unconscious in dying, & for whom they made a funeral, in afternoon. In afternoon, instruction in Inquiry Class on Sacraments. Ekitike came, on a visit from Ubenji. After supper, a stroll on the beach, to Ukuku's village, where his youngest daughter asked to enrol in Class; to Ekombili's or Badiwili, where Sitè's old mother also wanted enrolment; to Bolombaka's father, where Malango and another asked to enrol; & back on the way, near Bedem's, while a woman Bafite also asked to in one evening! A good prayer meeting.

Wed. June 21. Entering lists of the Inquiry Classes of Bongahili, Lobi, Ebwiss, & Lolabe. Ekäkie came, to get plantain leaves. Ukuku came, to salute me. Betâme came, to ask for food. Ekäkie came again, to tell me Manjama had arrived at Plantation. In afternoon, went to Lobi, to Factory of H&C, to engage building materials. Then, at 4.15 P.M., to Lobi village, to talk about the Lobi School. A gratifying talk. At 5.15, began my return. Pleasant salutations all the way. Arrived at 6.15. "They shall run, and not be weary". Dark night, strong wind.

and rough waves [illegible]king on the beach.
Thursday June 22d. Tired and stiff from yesterday's walk. Attended to some small jobs. Sent letter to Dr. Weber, about the Lolabe school. Njamewos & Indanga came, to explain about their connection with that letter of "Batanga People" last Friday. Mr. Ekitike came, Ekakii came to her garden, & left little Mahoje here asleep; but, when the child awoke, it was very troublesome. Masolo & Njongwe called, after their women's Prayer-Meeting, Ekitike to supper with us. Settled the Lolabi affair, by sending Rev. Mbola with Ebendé, & the Lolabe Kola to Lolabe, to decide on all the pay for Ebendé. The annoyance of the day took away all my appetite; ate no supper.
Friday, June 23d. Had very poor sleep last night, — bad dreams. In morning, copied notes of the tale Epembui gave me last night. Bought a nice fish, and sent it to Ekakii, who had come, & I explained about the trouble of little Mahoje last ~~evening~~ afternoon. In afternoon, Dr. and Mrs Weber came, and stayed for 2 hours, a nice visit. A stroll in villages, after supper. At evening Lecture, Mbwene annoyed me by bringing to the pulpit a letter, instead of waiting

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till Service was done, Last night.

Saty, June 24 } did not make any entry on
Sabbath " 25 } Saty night. In the afternoon,
came a mail, with letters from daughter
Mary, and Cousin Mrs Greene. In the evening,
Sister Bella and I read our letters.

On Sabbath, a fine day. Sister Bella in bed all
day. Good audience; but, had to rebuke a
young woman for dancing over the paths to
go to church. And, after church, was scandalized
by the noisy hilarity of Moses and other young
men. Excellent Sab. School in afternoon. Two young
women, Ewala (Ihama) & Bafite wanting to come
to communion. Good meeting, in evening.
Dark night. All quiet in the town.

Monday June 26. A very full day. Just as going
to morning-prayers, Ekakine came, on her way to
her plantation, to pay her Bohebe workers with the
fish & tobacco she came to get. After breakfast, a few
jobs. Began to write to Julie Ross. A succession of
visitors, — Mané from Ebenja, to talk about the
removal of his excommunication. Then, old Mekewe,
from Ekombilik village, to complain of her husband
sending her away, & attempting to break their

marriage. Then, Rev. Mbula-Ngubi arrived, from Lolabe, & reported his location up the beach Ebende. Then, Pahane came, from Ebenja, with 3 women, members of the Inquiry class, & they went on to Bedum's village. Then, came Nicanjana & 2 children, & afterwards, his wife Sayoka & their sick baby. His long story of his long trade-journey to the Interior, and troubles from his white employers. He is sick. He gave me 4 leopard claws. After dinner, a short nap. Elder Bitubanga came, with some Session matters, & about his son Mukâkâ. Finished my letter of the morning. Ekatice again came. And Pahane & her 3 companions. And Betâcmê, after school was out, went to King's Factory. After supper, a stroll on the beach, and up through Ekombilis village.

Tuesday June 27. Sat up late last night writing a letter to daughter Mary; but felt very well this morning. At 9.30 A.M., met in church, for Session, & examined the entire roll of 340 names. Issued citations. In afternoon, at 2.30, met again; only a few cases of discipline; and 5 women applicants for Baptism failed, because they could not tell anything about Baptism. Mrs Schmidt visiting sister

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Dr. Weber had called, in the morning, to arrange about Rev. Mbola Ngubi escorting Malambani, as teacher, to Ubenji. Small attendance at Prayer-meeting. Dark night. Strong land-wind. Wed. June 28. Ekakise came for goods, to buy the calamus-palm rattan, used for tying in building native houses. Bohane stopped, on his way to Bibi. Session-meeting in the church all morning, and in my room all afternoon. Many came before Session. Was very tired at 5 P.M. Surprised, on examination, to find all the posts of the schoolhouse anti-rotten; must renew them all. After supper, strolled on the beach, and on to Mr. Harrendorf's & L. Beke's factory, where I met Mr. & Mrs. Schmidt, of Kuder-leig's factory. And then came on back, around through Bapuku villages.

Thursday June 29. Very tired, on rising this morning. The steady Church-Session work is wearing. Resumed Session at 8.30 A.M., this morn. And from 2 P.M. till 5 o'clk. A violent fight on the road between some women. After supper, my usual stroll on the beach. Surf stream quite low. Very tired & sleepy this evening.

Friday June 30. Very much exhausted, with the preceding 3 days' works. At Session as usual, all going. Just at close of divine service, taken with Vertigo, + violent vomiting, with some purging following. Was utterly prostrate. Had the bell for Session ring at 2 P.M., & when the Elders came into room, I had them formally adjourn: I could not possibly sit up. After the stage of Purgation, & the evacuations, came the cool stage, & sleep of exhaustion, until 5 P.M. when I took a little tea, & later ate a little salted cracker. Got up at 7 P.M., Ekabi came, to prepare tea. Not at Preparatory Service, which was led by Elder Nabulu & Dipofo, with the marriage Ceremony of Bwoy.

Saty July 1. Felt very weak, though I was up and dressed. My head could not long talk. Manjiwa came to tell me his troubles; also Batanga, a young man from Kribi. Read a little at intervals. A mail came at 5 P.M.: a letter from Mrs Simmons. Took a short stroll on the beach after supper. During afternoon, I had made out the list of Disciplines & Receptions for Baptism for the Service tomorrow.

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Sabbath July 2d. Cool morning. My head felt very uncertain, & was not sure I could go through with the morning Services. I made all the Services announcements; Baptised 8 Adults & 17 infants; but, I left the Sermon & to Rev. Nibulaongulo, and came out of the house, thus saving my strength, I was able to go through with the Lord's Supper Service, in afternoon. Much rain in afternoon, Conducted the evening Service.

Monday 3d. Put on my thick Cold Dry Season clothing to-day. My head still giddy, until, after dinner, the calomel I took last night operated; & then I felt better. But, I could do no writing all day, or very little reading. In the morning, Mr. Kong, on his way back to Tarawa, stopped to see us. Late in afternoon, Mr. Pearce, of H.M.C., sent part of the bamboo building material, for Tekaine's house. Found part of the fence, between our garden & Divine's mother's plantains, broken by her careless felling of a banana stalk: In the evening, went to see Divine, to tell his mother to be more careful.

Tuesday 4d. Head not entirely free, & stomach still somewhat out of sorts. Wrote letters for the

German mail, for to-morrow. Additions to the Inquiry class, in afternoon. Mangiana's little child died early this morning; Ekâkise came for a box to bury it in. Chief Bobala still delaying to do Ekâkise justice, about the fine due her, from the woman who stole her fruit from the garden. Palaver being talked, in town, of the separation of Divahe & his wife Njikinga.

Wed.y July 5: Most of the day, I was writing up the Minutes of Session, of last week: but, interrupted by visits of Ekâkise, Rev. Eduma, Elder Nubela Dipepe, and carpenter Jangu. Strolled around the villages, in the evening. A dark night; the villages very quiet. Good news in the Mission Letter, about decision for Kamba Station.

Thursday 6: Still felt uncomfortable, in my head, & slight nausea. Eng. steamer, Capt. Davis, came. Dr. Weber came early, to get the Mission Letter, to send to Gaboon. Hastily wrote letter to Revds. G. R. Erdman and R. H. Milligan. My eyes hurt, & I did no more work at writing or reading, in the morning. Bought a fish for Ekâkise, & went to her village to call her child to come & get it. In afternoon, continued entering Session minutes. Mr. Harrendorff, of Lubke's factory, called to

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fee me, distributed 44 coco-nuts; to Sister Bella, (15) the School-boys, (15) teachers (3) + assistants (6), and (5) for Ekâtine. Mekuwe, wife of Madola, came to complain of the goat of the Factory eating her garden; but I could do nothing, as long as her husband's cows also to destroy gardens. Capt Davis sent ashore, to Sister Bella, a dozen apples & a fine piece of beef.

Friday July 7. Spent the morning, in entering on the Register, the names and acts of last week's Session. Preparing posts, to replace the rotten ones under the Girls School. A mail came, in afternoon; a letter from Son Charles wife. Took a stroll to the new christian Bapite, & the sick woman Ngala.

Saty 8: Completed all my entries in the Church Register, Did a variety of jobs. Had Nsinda gather more coco-nut for distribution. Several visits, Ekâtine, Njamuwe, and a number of little boys & girls. My usual stroll on the beach to Lienza creek mouth. Moon about half-full.

Sabbath July 9th. A [illegible] difference [illegible] in my feeling in my head & nausea, from last Sabbath. Preached on "Judgement Day"; people seemed impressed. At Sab. Sch., began with Njamuwa as Supt., to succeed me. After School, there called on me Mr. Sommerberg, of H. & C. of Kuibi, Mr. Ackermann of King's of this place, & a new Mr. Ackermann (no relative) of Kuibi, formerly of the Kings Ho. Stat. In evening Service, an unpleasant reference by Mr. Mbula, to some criticism he had heard, about his prayers being too long.

Monday 10th. Succeeded in dressing; but, vertigo [illegible] that I was unable to go to morning prayer. It became less, during the morning; but returned suddenly at dinner, & remained severely for an hour; during afternoon, I read a little. Some money came, from Efulen, to pay the workmen, Mbula-Diffi came to help me, about some names on the roll of Church. After supper, steadied to Ekombitie's village. In the morning, Mele, & another young woman, came to tell me of the efforts of their people to force them into polygamy.

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Tuesday July 11. Variations of nausea & vertigo, at frequent intervals all day, so that I could do no writing or thinking. But, in afternoon, I began to direct the men about putting the new posts under the School-house. A good attendance at Singing Class. On my evening stroll, came on a palaver talk of the alo: death by a young man, some 2 years ago, on the head of the infant of Manjana who died recently. Small attendance at Prayer-Meeting.

Wednesday 12. After breakfast, went to Ehikihiki to consult Dr. Weber, about my persistent Vertigo. He was out hunting; I sat and wrote my statement of my symptoms. But, he came just as I had completed it. I had feared to think the cause to be Malarial, though it was Indigestion. He insisted it was Nervous Exhaustion. As the walk seemed to relieve me somewhat, I decided to walk, as exercise, every day. In afternoon, the men still at the posts under the School-house. Bedu is beginning his house-building. In afternoon, I trimmed away dead limbs of the cacao. After supper, strolled into the town; & thence on to the beach, where about 20 women & girls were fishing for small fish.

Thursday July 13th } Made no entry on Thursday. Con-
Friday " 14 } tinued my new change of habits,
by walking around & doing small jobs.
Got some cotton blanket of King's, on Sister
Bella's order. In late afternoon, my June factory
came from Efulan. After supper, strolled on the
beach to Liebke's factory; Mr. Harrendorff was in at
home; back, to visit Badiundi; & back to the beach,
to see the crowd of women collecting for fishing.

On Friday walked to Jembus creek. My room
was being cleaned. Sat out on the veranda.
In afternoon, prepared the Sab. Sch. Lesson. At
night, the young people very noisy, as they
came out of church.

Saty 15: Still doing no writing or studying. Prepared
sermon for to-morrow. In afternoon, the work at the
placing of posts under the girls' school-house was finished.
Found a new wild fruit, like a small plum, at
King's Factory yard. A short stroll in evening.
Tired doing nothing.

Sabbath 16th. Strange feelings while I was dressing;
and, after prayers, just before breakfast, my
nausea & vomiting came. Ate a slight breakfast.

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Was not able to go to church. Rev. Mbala took my place. Was able to go to Sab. Sch., & conducted evening Service. Manjana quite sick, & Ekakiie anxious about him. Neither Bolombaka nor Betame were at Sab. Sch. for their classes.

Monday July 17. Strolled to King's factory, a bought twine, for a small mat. Felt in better health. Had been quite a heavy rain last night. In afternoon, was able to write most of the time. A long visit from Unjinja, with trouble about his young wife. In evening, went to Mbonjilo, to get back the Forder's potation. I had allowed him to use. On the way back, stopped to see sick Ngala. A small meal at night. A very complimentary letter, from Rev. D. S. B. Lowrie, on my book "Futiokuen".

Tuesday 18 } Have made no entries for the 18
Wed'y 19 } On 19, came that big bamboo from
Thursday 20 } Waterfall, for Ekakiie's order for a house.

My nausea and vertigo were frequent, but, I succeeded, on 20, in copying some Tales, to be sent to the U.S., as specimens. The "Jebba", Capt. Davis, came in, from ——, on Thursday, & sister Bella sent bananas, cake, & flowers to the Capt. In the evenings, I go

on the beach to stroll, or in the villages.

Friday, July 21. Felt unusually well to-day. Copied another Tale. Manjuna came, to ask the loan of money, to buy aid with the [illegible]; I refused, for, he had native relatives, was not a case of helplessness, as some others I have helped. Badimedi stopped, in afternoon, on her return from her visit at Mondotinga. After noon, strolled on beach, to Harrendal's; he was not at home; up through the of Ibwana's village, - to Slabe's, - [illegible], - overtook Bapile (woman), - stopped to speak with Bedman, in his new house, & on home, strained my right groin in crossing the brook. A good attendance at Lecture, at night, on Death of Eli, "Scholar".

Saty, July 22. Have felt unusually well to-day. Copied some more Tales. Rested, by strolling to the beach, where Kola was making his canoe. Mr. Ackerman away at Kibi. The usual visitors. In afternoon, got supplies, at Mr. Ackerman's. In evening, strolled along the beach, and up through the villages of Bapatu, stopping only at sick Ngala's. Weather quite warm, in mid-day. Wrote a letter to Prof. Libby, and enclosed copies of five (between) Tales.

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Sabbath July 23. Feel very [illegible] to-day. Good Service in the morning, except that the little children were crowded together, & were restless, & they annoyed me. A good Sabbath. Very warm mid-day; strange weather for a Dry Season. Good meeting at night.

Monday 24. Well, to-day. Wrote to Mr. Ford and Rev. Chas. Nyongo, & Mr. Adams. Read some. After supper, went to Kenderley's factory to call on Mr & Mrs Schmidt. Very strong sea-breeze.

Tuesday 25. Tried to write some; but, was not in the spirit of it. Rev. Edmund came to say that the German authority, at Kibi, had ordered that every native man should plant a palm-oil garden, of at least 50 trees this year. Chief Bevingi's daughter, of his wife Lucy, came to enrol in Inquiry Class. Good Class Meeting in afternoon. Masoni's marriage relation with the Mambili was unsatisfactory. Took a short stroll after supper. My head did not feel well, & did not go to Prayer Meeting.

Wednesday July 26. At 8.30. A.M., started for Kibi, with Masinda, having little Malango, Ekakia's daughter, as far as Waterfall. Left a letter for Dr. Weber, from Benita, with Nkumbwa, as we passed Ekatikia. On to Waterfall, the Factory

of H. & C.; and got, from Mr. Pearsall, an iron pot & small brass kettle, & sent Mulanga back with them. Saw the usual quantity of water over the Falls very small. Stream very low on the way, & scarcely flowing into the sea. At Kilifi village, stopped to drink at a Christian home; the teacher, Mtonga, & Mrs. Mtonga, had across the bridge, not yet completed. Rested & refreshed at Mr. Sommerburg's. While at dinner, Dr. Weber came. After dinner, rested for 2 hours; Dr. Weber left, about 3 P.M., & I went to Post Office, for stamps, & to mail some letters. Back to Factory; & went to Native Factory for shoes, for Hilda Bella. Factory was closed. On to the Govt. House, Dist. Commr. not there, but Hon. Fabian, & had a pleasant talk with him. And back to Factory, & read for 2 hours. Good hearty supper. Mr. S. busy at his office. Retired at 9 P.M. Had bought some things in the store.

Thursday July 27. Awake by 5.30 A.M., with [illegible] of the Factory; up by 6 A.M. Had not rested well. Tea at 6.30, & lunch at 7.30; & started journey, in a dry Season drizzle, which continued almost the whole way of the exactly 3 hours to Bongabili. Ekatice came to hear & tell news. And after, Rev. Mbula, Returne Mbula's wife, Nkanga Bobale, & others, during

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the afternoon, I was very tired with walking in soft sand, and in the windless air of the morning. Katine was very pleased with the presents I gave her. Rain threatening.

Friday July 28. A fine day. But, I did very little, as I still felt exhausted from yesterday's walk. Mrs Schmidt came, in afternoon, to call on Sister Bella. News that the Govt has appointed the R.C. priest to inspect the planting of the palm-trees recently ordered by the Govt. The girls broke a window-glass in Bella's room. I shortened the Lecture tonight, as my head began to feel badly. Dark night. Rec'd today, from Efulen, part of my July salary.

Saturday 29. A variable day; at times damp & dark, in mid-day bright. Succeeded in writing 2 letters. In afternoon, went to see Chief Bobala, & told him I had spoken to the German Secy, about his and Madola's respect to settle palavers. Met a young mulatto woman, at Bobala's, who said she was niece of Rev. J. Mone at Libreville.

Sabbath 30. Dark lowering day, small rain before church. Small attendance. Sister Bella not well, & was not at Sabbath. Heard, from Katine, of the violent threats of Mr. Ackermann, of King's Factory,

against her brother Manjana. After supper, went to Chief Madala, to ask his interference, if attempt be made to seize Ekâkisi's goods. After church, heard that warning had been sent, by Eujanja, of Holt's factory at Kibi, to Utonga, to send messenger, to form Madala & the Dist. Com.r would seize him for mal-administration of justice while he was at Bulu-land.

Monday July 31st. Ekâkise & her brother Manjana still excited, about the threats of Mr. Atkinson to tear down his house. I advised him to go and make complaint to the Dist. Com.r at Kibi. Wrote to Mrs Robinson of Freehold, N.J. Mail came early, a fine lot of a dozen letters, all of them good; Cousin H. Hamill, daughter Mary, Mrs Brennan, Rev. Dr. Holmes (Editor of "Christian Intelligencer"), and Secretaries Halsey & Brown, thanks to God for good news! Carpenter Ganga came, to talk about palm-tree planting, as ordered by the Gov.t. And Ekâkise & Manjana came again with their [illegible]. A short prayer after supper.

Tuesday Aug.st 1st. Re-read all my letters; but, was too full of their excitement to answer any of them. Early in afternoon, Chief Madala returned from his

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[illegible] absence in the Interior. Read in "McClure's" magazine. Visited in villages, after supper. Small attendance at Prayer-Meeting.

Wed'y Aug. 2d. Made no entry; for, I had a headache at night, During the day, I had written one letter. I called, at Factory Lubeke, on Mr. Harnecker, to sympathize with him on the failure of his expected bride to arrive on the promised steamer.

Thursday Aug. 3d. Felt very well, and began to write; but Dr. Weber came, to make trouble about a boy-pupil in Adamson's school, who, tho R.C. priest said belonged to them. He was almost insulting in his words & manner, & took the position that any contract by even a child should be binding, even against a parent's wishes. Messenger came, to ask me to be ready to bury Dr. Avila's grandmother shortly afternoon, & she was to come later to fetch me. At 2.30 P.M., went to see whether English steamer had come. To my surprise, it was there at anchor, & a boat coming ashore. Hasted to the beach, to get letters, & met Avila coming to meet me; hurried back to beach with the letters, & then went to

funeral, then went to beach, to see how the boat were coming. Mr. Ackermann & Dr. Weber were there. Hurried back to dress; went around by Bedem's, to the sea-side, but could not get across Luma lagoon; tried to struggle through the bushes; could not, & went back by Bedem's to path from Ekombélu; up to Lubaki; up to Ndelwité. Met Mrs. Schmidt; concluded not to go off to steamer. Back by village path; & at Mbwamá's, stopped to talk with Bwendi, about her son in the R.C. School. Returned & went to Madola, & he followed me to this house, & I asked about his daughter Njengo's going back to her polygamous marriage. Manyáu has visited me in the morning, & also Ekákise. It was not true that he had been seized at Kribi.

Friday Aug. 4th. A dull dark & drizzling day. Wrote some letters, in morning; but, by afternoon, my wrist was tired, having also some rheumatism. An addition to the Inquiry Class. Ekákise told me of the outrageous cheating, by Divité's brother Bonyáé, of her goods she had given him to get her building materials. And Njoewona

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came to tell me of Dr. Ibe's footing up the school-bag matter in an offensive way.

Saty, Aug. 5: Some headache still. Finished letters for German mail, by 10.0 a.m. Day dark and drizzling. An old man, father of Bopeli, died, who once, long ago, had apparently died, & was about to be buried. In afternoon, went to Babala, to ask his aid, about getting building materials. Dark night.

Sabbath Aug. 6. A clear bright day. Small attendance at church, because of the funeral of Bopeli's father in town. After church, just as my dinner was ready, I was called to bring the old man. Trouble in Sab. Sch., with between some members of Sister Bella's Class, she not being present, being sick. Pleasant chat with Betâme, good meeting in evening.

Monday Aug. 7. Tried to write letters; but, succeeded in writing only one, to Mrs Hoe. Bought some rice at Factory, for sick little Mahaji. A small stroll on the beach, after supper. During the day, a quarrel between Sister Bella's girls & little Mubiambizâdi, daughter of Adâlu.

Tuesday, Aug. 8: A dark showery day; very depressing. At night, the young people very noisy, as they went out to Prayer Meeting.

Wedy. 9: A clear day. King Madola came, he lay to explain about some of the evil reports that have been told about him from the Station. When he left, his daughter, Melinti, came to ask admittance in Inquiry Class; I delayed; for, she has had a bad life, & I must prove her. At 10. A.M., with Masinda, went to Ekikiki, to get a box, which Mr. Milligan wrote to me, to take & use as I planned. At Dr. Weber's, was the Samian Chief of Customs, from whose eye Dr. W. had just taken an eyeworm. Came back, with the box, by noon. My entire right arm pacing me, with rheumatism. Sent palaver to Betâmu, Ekâkia, & Ronji's wife, Njanga. Night dark, with fitful moonlight through the clouds.

Thursday, Aug. 10: My right arm, especially wrist, so painful with rheumatism, that I could neither write or do any thing else. And, my eyes wearied of reading. A very rainy morning, but, bright afternoon; some moonlight.

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Friday Aug. 11th. Showers, in morning; but, clear afternoon. My wrist slightly better; & I wrote a letter to Mr. Milligan. Visit from Betanc, Ekatie, and Ndengababala, My usual stroll, in the evening, Good attendance at Lecture, in evening.

Saty 12th. A clear day; quite warm, in afternoon. My wrist better; but, I had a dull headache all day. Mr. Ackermann sent in his bills, for July. German war-vessel passed south. Very tiresome, being unable to write, and reading from worries my eyes.

Sabbath 13th } Slight rain, in morning of Sabbath.
Monday 14th } Quiet day; good audience, notwithstanding an all-Saty-night native dancing & singing, in town. A small mail had come on Saty evening: good letter from Mrs. Mc Comb.

On Monday. Clear day, Wrote long letter to Mrs W. L. Nassau. In afternoon, Mrs Weber called, to see Sister Bella; then came Mrs Schmidt; then Rev. Edmund came to see me; then Dr. Weber came to sister, & Mr. Warrendorf to me: Edmund left; the 2 ladies left; then Mr. H. left, & finally Dr. W. — making our supper late. A bright warm day; but, this evening cool.

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Tuesday Aug. 15. Wrote, in morning. Just as I was about to sit to dinner, Rev. Mbula brought me an annoying message, from young Mème, that took away all appetite. A small attendance at Class, & great ignorance. Was to have met Mème at 4. P.M., in my room, for him to give Ekitika her goods, of which he is defrauding her; he did not come till near 5. P.M., and he held, & offered only part of her rights, which I refused to take. A very unsatisfactory result. Ate no supper, sat up late, reading & thinking.

Wedy Aug. 16. After breakfast, went to tell Mandala to summon Mème. He was not in town. Some 2 hours later, he was passing, & I called him, & told him what I wanted. Later he came to say that Mème would pay. Then came to ask to dig up bitter palm-trees, for the palm-orchards they were planting. Early in afternoon, Ekitika came to say that the "palave" was ended, & that Mème had paid all; but that Utonga & Elder Mème had talked very badly, giving their relative very bad advice, which, however, Madala had overruled. Later still, Madala came to say it was all settled.

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During the day, wrote several letters. A clear bright day. The "Puttkammer" was in from Kribi, on its way south. At night, word that "Ano" was at anchor.

Thursday Aug. 17: Last night, Mr. Ackerman had sent word that we would go to the "Ano", at 6 A.M. Was awake before 5 A.M., & afraid I would oversleep, did not sleep again. An early cup of tea, & at the factory before 6 A.M. Mr. A's boat not ready, three boats of the steamer arrived before we started. Capt. Hughes (with whom I went to Liverpool Dec-Jan 99) had been down the ladder for us. He was in a hurry, & I hurried to the Purser's office (Mr. Wylde, with whom I went, in 1903, on the "Olanda", Capt. Gibson) cashed my bill of exchange. Hurried away in ½ hour, & steamer started instantly. Returned ashore, & paid my bill at King's factory. Had bought, on steamer, from Portuguese, a leg of English mutton. Divided it between sister and Ekâtice. Was very tired. Immediately after dinner, was called to bury a young mother, at Elaka's village. Rested all afternoon. Was annoyed at sister Bella's dishonorable retaining of a letter Ndonga-Pipa has sent Mtonjie.

Friday. A clear bright day. Tried to write for

mail; but, was interrupted by an unusual number of visitors. Jaba, with his play about his dead wife as revenge; & Mekuni came to have a tooth taken out. Good attendance at Lecture, at night. Sat up at night, writing to Lecy Halsey.

Sat. Aug. 19th, } On Sat., continued waiting for mail, &
Sabbath " 20th } sent letters, by [illegible], to Kribi, at 10, A.M.
By 11. A.M., the effects of these two days began to show themselves, after dinner, nausea & purging (but not any vertigo) all afternoon. Went to bed early. Dr. [illegible], weak, but, conducted morning service. Also, at Sab. S.S. But, my wife felt, feverish again, & did not go to church. After church, was told of some disrespect of one speaker, Utuku, to the leader, Rev. [illegible], & of the young man, Divahe, for laughing in church.

Monday 21st. Was not well all day, could not eat much, nor did any writing. Called Rev. Mbula, to inquire about the affair of Utuku last evening. Mbula & Dipipe came, to tell me about Jaba's deceptive statement to me, about his belief in witchcraft. Pahane & 2 other women came, from Ebunja, on their way to Kribi, but to lie down

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[illegible] Ekitike [illegible] Ubänji, to see about the Govt. order to plant palm-trees. In evening, Belâme came [illegible] to my back, which was stiff and sore with fever. Went to bed early.

Tuesday, Aug. 22. Did not rise to prayers. Ate breakfast in bed. Afterwards, rose & dressed; but did very little all day. A succession of showers. Mr. Pearsall, of H.C., at Waterfall, sent another consignment of hatels & bamboos. Was able to attend to Ingwa's case, in afternoon; but, thought not wise to go to evening-prayer meeting in the rain.

Wedy, 23. Felt well to-day. Day very variable with showers and sunshine. Rev. Nebula and his Elder, Ronji, went to Ubänji. I went to [illegible] Mr. Ackermann, to buy, and told him of his cat being here. Bought fresh fish, for Ekâkise. Distributed the usual Wedy palm-[illegible] to Johanna stopped, on her way from Kribi, Mr. Schmidt called, and stayed to supper.

Thursday, Aug. 24. A bright clear day. I reported to Mr. Ackermann again his cat staying here; and he gave the cat to me. Visitor, Ekâkise, Belâme, Ekitike, Badiwdi, & old Mekuna, & children. Strolled,

after supper, to Utonga's, to get him to finish the not-
e-tonks he has promised; to Betâmé's; along the beach;
& back through Ejangeli's village. Early this morning,
a ceno has been discovered in our back-yard;
but she did only a little damage.

Friday Aug. 25th. Weather variable; but, on the whole,
a fine day. Wrote two letters. Prepared Sab. Sch.
Lesson. ~~Visited~~ I had sent for Ukuku; he came, &
I refuted him, for his [illegible] in church last Sab.
night.

Saty Aug. 26th. A showy day. Wrote only one letter,
but cut a new pair of shoes. In afternoon, went
to see Chief Bobale; he was away, in the interior.
Called also to see Deacon Njâku. After supper,
went to see Utonga, & got the blank-book, in
which he has been writing native Tales for me.

Sabbath Aug. 27th. A variable showy day; clear most
of the afternoon. Good audience and attention, in
the ~~evening~~ morning. Unusually good at Sab. Sch. Nothing
of excitement during the day.

Monday 28th. Heavy rain in morning; but, cleared
off beautifully. Reading up, in Utonga's native-
Tales. Ndenga-Bobala came, to arrange about

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work, revision and others. Visitors, Matanga, Ekakina, Nw Eduma, Elder Bafile, Batâme. A man, Mabila, came to ask for some Reeds, for planting. English steamer, from north, is overdue. Badiwedi came to see me.

Tuesday Aug. 29. Rain in morning; but, it cleared off beautifully. Adenga-Bokala began with me revision of Benga Epistles. King Madola returned from Bilin, saying that the charges against him was not sustained by the German Dist. Com^r. A good number at Inquiry Class. Have a cold in the head, from Sab. night. The Eng. steamer is at Kribi, back nights.

Wed^y 30. At the Benga Epistles revision. Rebuked Adenga for his asking wages of Ekâkina. In afternoon, trying to read Utonge's writing of his native Tales. Absence of punctuation made it difficult. I went to his house to see him about it. The Eng. steamer, from north, came to anchor at dusk, back night. Beautifully clear day.

Thursday 31. The Eng. steamer "Sokato", Capt. Loeb(?) very early at work discharging goods, in the rain. At Revision, by 8. A.M. At 10. A.M., part

Masinda to Kribi, for a possible mail. Bright afternoon. Had my hair cut. Trying to read Utonga's Tales. The "Butt Kanow" came to anchor, about 4. P.M. In evening, Mombili came, & made a very full confession & sorrow for his outrageous treatment of his wife Bekombo.

Friday Sept. 1. Near 9. P.M., Masindi returned, last night, with a large bag of mail from Kribi. I sat up late, reading my more than dozen letters. To-day, (Sept 1), a steadily busy day. Revision with Ndengi: re-read letters. In afternoon, Trip to Elakiri, making out Sab. Sch. Lesson. Visits from Balati, teacher at Plantation; & trouble then with R. C. School. Rev. Edema, - trouble about Chief Bevinge & Madola's daughter Njangale. Sister Bella's Feast for the young women. At Utonga's Tales, News of the expected departure of Mr. & Mrs Schmidt. News of the coming of a German Deputation of Eleven, one of whom died on the way, & 2 went back in fear. Heavy rain, in evening. Had been thunder in the morning; official sign of the beginning of Rainy Season!

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Saty Sept. 2: Rain last night. Was disturbed at 4. A.M., with my bowels. Rose late. Had to leave breakfast table, because of bowels; and twice later, much exhausted, & feverish. Spent the day lying outside the bed. Sent Ndenga to Kribi, for a registered letter. In afternoon, paid the monthly bills at King's factory. Mrs Schmidt came, & told about their Agent, Richards, dismissing them. The registered letter was from Mrs Gaulter.

Sabbath Sept. 3: A rainy morning; a small audience. Heard that some had gone to Kribi, to some announcement to be made by the Dist. Com^r. Was able to attend to all the services of the day. After supper, went to see sick Ekâtine. Dark night.

Monday Sept. 4: A bright clear day with only a few small showers. After begining, at 8. A.M., with Revision, there were many interruptions before 11. A.M.:- Konja, for his pay as sexton;- Ekâtine, for my wife's washing;- Ntonga, on his way back to Kribi, to his school,- Bâlake to his school at Plantation (sent a letter by him to Lasenia);- my cup of tea,- a letter from teacher Mujinja, at Ebonja, to which I had to reply;-

Batanga, about the school difficulties at Elanga. In afternoon, rested, as usual; and tried to begin to write for the mail. Tried to get a list, from Njamnwa, of the members of the Eng. Class taught by Mrs Gault 3 years ago. After supper, went to see Mr. Harrendorf; but he was not at home. In the evening, a letter from Kribi, H & C, enclosing one from Mr. Ogden, for Sister Bell.

Tuesday, Sept. 5. Went to Adenga on another errand, and took all morning for writing letters. At 12, noon, sent Masindi, showy day, to class meeting. About 4.30 P.M., went to call on Mr. & Mrs. [illegible] as they are leaving. On the way, met them, coming with Mr. Harrendorff, to call on Sister. They are going to Germany, being very dishonorably sent away, by a jealous member of their firm. A dim moonlight.

Wed'y, Sept. 6 } Made no entry on the 6th, Did not
Thursday 7th } do any Revision, in morning, sent Masindi to Waterfall & Kribi, to buy stock-fish. He returned in evening; there was none. It was a showy day. Gathered & distributed, to the school-boys, 50 cocoa-nuts

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On the 7th: a rainy morning, & beautiful clear afternoon. Revision in A.M. Removed the cherry-guava, which has been such a temptation to the children. Began a letter to Mr Hault. Gave Masuka and Belame camphor-tar balls. After supper, went to see Dick Paladiko, and the woman Melâmbi. When I returned, Mendili brought one to help get back his wife he had so outrageously acted. King Madola came to tell about the unjust decision of the Gov., compelling Njangale to return to Bavinga. Ekâkise, about Mainu still annoying him with Melâmbi's false reports.

Friday Sept. 8th. A very busy day. Prompt at 8. A.M., finished my cargo from Ekâkise's. The Revision. Was interrupted by Bopeli coming to tell of the exhibitant demand of the R.C. priest for cash, instead of the goods that had been offered for Mana. Stopped at 10.30. A.M., and was going to factory, but was prevented by a large caravan going to Mana. Worked over the Tales. While resting after dinner, a messenger came from Efulan, with monthly wages. Ekâkise came to get moth-balls. I had expected to go to factory at 3. P.M., but, had to write to Efulan, & then came a messenger from Kribi, with dried fish, & a letter was to be

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Prepared the Sab. Sch. Lesson written for that. Then, I rested a read, for Yr Lesson, a word came of the death of a baptised infant. Had supper; & was called to the funeral. Ekakia came to tell of paying for part of Ibokas subingo.

Saty Sept. 2'. A very rainy day. Sent Ndengas to the work, & spent morning in writing to Mr Gault, In afternoon, rested; showed work on the pattes; went to Mr Ackmann's, for goods; and prepared my lesson. The brook Luma is raging fast.

Sabbath 10'. A very rainy day; but, a good audience in the morning. Rev. Mbula, & Licentiate Ekeki, with me, in pulpit. Very small audience, in evening.

Monday Sept. 11'. Very rainy last night, and all this morning. At Revision; & Tales; and, in afternoon, continuing my long letter to Mr Gault, Eyaki came to complain of Ekakis having had a pear tree, of Eyaki's husband Robert, cut down, (Robert is Ekakis own relative). Bayoka came to ask for head-quit, but I refused, because of them having cut down a tree in their town. Strolled on beach: could not cross Luma creek; some boys offered to lift me across; but, I declined. In the village, visited old Njonje, Mekuve, Njoki, & Ekakia.

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Tuesday Sept 12. A clear day. Revision. Continued at the long letter to Mrs Gault. Went late to the Sunday School. Mourning E in town for a little niece of Divie's. The Eng. steamer returned from South, with Sister Bella's carved ivories from Loango; & letters from Mr. Showers & from Mr. Barrow, at Elobi. Last night, had come a long letter from Lasemi, from Sitwa.

Wed.y 13. Variable weather. Revision. In afternoon, the Kola of Lolabe, who is building Ekäkie's house, came to get bamboo; but, he came in such a blundering disrespectful way, that I took no notice of him. Finished the letter to Mrs Gault. My eyes very much better; have been at the Tales tonight.

Thursday 14. Very rainy. Sent Malango to Waterfall, with a note to Mr. Pearsall. Revision. Ekäkie's daughter Malango, being displeased at her mother, would not respond to my salutation; I ordered her out of the house. Sleepy in afternoon, as I had sat up late last night. Wrote to Mr. Ford. Very damp & chilly weather; the persistent rains rotting the cassava tubers in the ground. Some thunder Sunday, as if the Rainy Season had come.

Friday 15. Very rainy day. Lungs sent my light,

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difficult to cross; crossed at the mouth [illegible] canoe, Rinion in morning; and Sab. Sch. Lesson in afternoon. Went to Kiji, to leave an order. To Ekaikie's; the persistent rain prevent working on her house. Letter from Mr. Adams; & others from Mr. Hemmel to the Seniors of Batanga & Ubonji. Very few at evening Lecture; people unable to cross Lumu, last night.

Saty Sept. 16. A beautifully clear day. Excused Ndenga from Rinion, and spent the morning in writing for mail. At 11.30, sent Masinda to Kibi, expecting him to be here at 2.30 P.M.; to start back at 3.30 P.M., and be here by 6.30 P.M. (But, now, at 7.30, he has not yet arrived). In afternoon, prepared sermon, and mended clothes. After supper, strolled to the beach, and saw what seemed a German steamer at anchor, at Kibi. At Mr. Ackermann's, met Mr. Klett, who used to live at this beach; He told me he had travelled far to the South-east in Interior, & had almost emerged at Njoli on the Ogowe.

Sabbath 17. Masinda arrived last night at 8.30 P.M., with a leopard skin, from Mr. Barnes of Elonji.

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Streams very high between Kribi & Ja-Ja. To-day, a clear day. The SS. "Puttkamer", at anchor. Good audiences to-day. After supper, went to see Ekkakia, who is sick.

Monday Sept. 18. A beautifully clear day. Ndengo's wife came, to say he was sick & could not come. Did not feel very vigorous. Examined the Tales. In the afternoon, sent Masinda to Factory Lubuke, to bring a bale of Stockfish. Dried my leopard-skin, and smeared it with arsenical soap. Still at the Tales. Dark clouds at sea, at sunset. Elder Bitalungu had come, at noon, to tell about difficulty with his wife.

Tuesday 19. A variable day. While at Recision, came Ikana (Ewala) with a dreadful story of Bopeli compelling her to be beaten, (& King Modolo allowed it) at the demand of the R. C. priest, because she would not marry a R. C. polygamist. Trying to make out the Tales. Annoyed at the children of the villages coming to steal from our one mango tree. In afternoon, Mekaka, son of Elder Bitalungu, came to announce that he was ready to have Ceremony performed with his young

wife, daughter of Candidate Matanga. But, in the evening, at Prayer Meeting, when the parties were called, the girl wd not have Mukâkâ take her hand, & I refused to perform the ceremony. A disgraceful affair!

Wedy 20. A clear bright day, with only an occasional shower. Revision. At the tales. In afternoon, wrote two letters. Utonga came, to explain the tales. A widow, from Bedum's village, came to explain her expected marriage. Ekâtiè washing of my clothes not very successful. Got some small ivories from Mr. Ashmun, to send south, to be carved. In evening, went to King Madola, to rebuke him for the flogging of Ihana.

Thursday 21. A damp showery day. Revision. Begain to make English copy of the Tales. Interrupted in afternoon, visits from an old woman, suspended member of Ebunja, & Valakiko, and Bohimo. Very stormy evening.

Friday 22. Showery morning, clear afternoon. Very much annoyed at the children, from all the villages, stealing from the mango tree immediately in front of

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this house; and particularly Ekäkine's children, whom I have favored so much. Complained to her about them. Revision in A.M. Malango was sent on around to Kibi. Utonga came to help with the Tales. Young Utonga teacher from Kibi, Betänie, & others visiting. Felt very much exhausted, by 5 P.M. Rain in evening; small audience at Lecture.

Saty 23 Sept. A very variable day. Revision. Sent Malango, with a letter, to Waterfall. At Tales. In afternoon, sermon for to-morrow. Utonga came for help in the Tales. Ekäkine came back from Bwambe. A long talk with Licentiate Ekitike. Young Utonga stopped, to see me, on his way back to Kibi. Chilly, at dark night.

Sabbath Sept. 24 } Sabbath, weather variable. Good audience.
Monday " 25 } Incident of the Bulu man attempting to hand me a letter, in the pulpit. He gave it to me afterward. A remarkable news: Mr. Ford gone to New York, to contest with the Board against Mr Milligan! Good Sab. Sch.

On Monday. Fine day. Very busy. Malango sent to Kibi with letters. Writing letters. Ndenga at the Tales. In afternoon, at letters again; Utonga came to

help with the Sales. Epembu's wife, Ekonda, came to inquire about Session. Dr. Weber had sent Mr. Bell's boxes here, for my charge. He came down first Bell, on business, & stayed to supper. Writing letter again in morning.

Tuesday Sept. 26. Rain early in morning; but, the day beautifully clear. Began Session at 9. A.M.; examn. of the Roll. Citations issued. In afternoon again. Prominent persons disciplined; from 2. P.M. until after 5. P.M. Very tired; eyes very tired. After supper, strolled on beach. Fine wide beach, low tide; many children playing. Evening Prayer meeting.

Wed. Sept. 27.
A variable day, mostly rain. Session in morning and afternoon; not a pleasant series. About noon, an English steamer was seen going into Kribi. Was very tired at noon, & could not eat. Masdumbani arrived from Ubangi.

Thursday Sept. 28. A very rainy day. Session in morning and afternoon. Not as many people came as I expected. The English steamer still at Kribi. In late afternoon, Dr. Weber came from Kribi; only Rev. & Mrs Laughlin were on the steamer.

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Ekâfisa told me an outrageous act of Mème's, her divorced husband.

Friday Sept 29. A variably showery day. Session in both morning and afternoon. In afternoon, a troublesome discussion with Elder Bitahangwa and his wife. After supper, saw the "Fantee", Capt. Tyler, coming to anchor. A good Preparatory Service. Mukâtis marriage, that failed ~~two weeks~~ ten days ago, was comfortably completed. A very dark night.

Sat.y, Sept. 30. Some reaction after the work of the past 4 days. Writing out statistics of the Session work. Strolled to the beach; met 2nd. Officer of the steamer "Fantee", Capt. Tyler. News of 2 Calabar missionaries passengers; but, no reply from my letters of welcome I had sent to Revs. Langlois. The officer's report of Dr. Weber's discontent on the steamer. In afternoon, prepared sermon. Enjinja came, with long talk about his wife. Badiwedi returned from Londotenge. Felt tired with the reaction. Boxes of provisions from the steamer.

Sabbath Oct. 1. Showery in morning; clear in the afternoon. Large audience in morning, 10 adults baptised, 6 confirmed, 13 infants. A large

audience, both morning and afternoon.
Monday Oct. 2. [illegible], Sent Masinda to Kibi; for the mail. Entered church names in the Register. In the afternoon, began to enter the minutes of [illegible] two [illegible] applicants for Inquiry Class [illegible]. [illegible] also on her way down to Mondetingi, for medication. Utonga, the teacher at Kibi. After breakfast, strolled to the beach, Joba (of the revenge wife) followed, & told me of his hearing, in the interior, of the unkind doings of my fellow missionaries to me. Played with the boys on the beach. Returned. Ekakire visiting while she was here, Masinda returned, at 8 P.M. with a heavy mail. Ekakire left, & I sat up late reading letters.
Tuesday 3. Showery, most of the day. Re-reading last night's letters, & opening and arranging newspapers, &c., Two new additions to the Class of inquirers, Joba & other visitors, Sent letter to Rev Edwina, of Kibi, by teacher Utonga, Strolled in the villages, to Palatika's, & Utonga's, & Madela's, Good assemblage, at Prayer-meeting.
Wedy Oct. 4. Waiting for the mail, all day. Edwina's mistake, about her pawn deposited

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in the collection on Sabbath. After supper, went to see Chief Bebala, who had returned from his trip into the Ntem interior.

Thursday, Oct. 5. A variable showery day. Completed my letter-writing, and sent Ronji with the letters, at 10.30. A.M. Went to see Mr. Ackermann; he was not at home. Put away the Communion vessels. In afternoon, examined, priced, & arranged the contents of Mrs Gault's boxes, according to her request. Ekitike came, to say good-bye, on his way back to Ubenji. Three young women came, from Waterfall, to enrol in Inquiry Class; accepted only one; and 2 from Bongahili. Ronji returned, at 7. P.M.; and Ekitike came to get the things he had brought for her. Cold, dark and damp.

Friday Oct. 6. A variable day, with clear afternoon, very hot. At entering minutes of Session, and concluding the pricing of Mrs Gault's goods, with aid of Sister Bella, Mr. Beardall sent more bamboo. Betame not well. After coffee on the beach. A magnificent sunset. The beach also unusually broad, smooth & hard, good meeting at night.

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Satᵈᵃʸ Oct. 7: Completed accounts of Mrs Gault' things, Fe'ele Bella paid for some, [illegible] came for his wages. Prepared sermon, Boxed the things of Mrs Gault that were to be sent to her. Very tired with the many jobs of the days.

Sabbath 8: A perfectly clear & beautiful day. Go audience, in the morning. Good Sab. Sch. afternoon, went to see Betume, who is sick. A quiet day, except during the early afternoon, when a large number of children were playing on the beach.

Monday 9: Variable morning; rainy afternoon. Writing to Mrs Gault. Many visitors: Mosambani, Mravevi. And, in afternoon, divided cocoanuts to the School-boys. Madola came, to talk about the matter of paying dowries. Rev. Nibola, in the morning, had annoyed me by his trying to haggle over the price of a box he wanted. Very rainy evening.

Tuesday 10. A very variable day; mostly rain. Wrote a long letter to Rev. Kuamu, Ekafi's frightful experience with a sucker.

Wedᵈᵃʸ Oct. 11: My 70th birth-day! Busy writing a long

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letter to Mrs McComb, and getting Bills from King's, and a woman, Bebidi, whose husband had died at Benita, came to enroll in Inquiring Class, sent granadilla to Mr. Harrendorf. Messenger came, at 5. P. M., from Efulen, with month's wages for Sept.;

A chat with Ekätice, about superstitions, A damp rainy day.

Wednesday Oct. 12. The "Fantee", from the south, came in, at 7. A. M., having run by at night as far as Plantation, Went to King's Factory, with Mrs Grault's box, & a package of letters, for the U.S., An officer of the ship came with 3 boats, for King's produce: & brought a letter from Rev. Mr. Weir of Calabar, a passenger on the steamer, Man whom I had sent for, from Lobi, yesterday, came to build Ekätice's house, made a bargain with them, & took them to her place, & they started work at once: bargain, 20. M. a year, with food (pay 1/2 cash), hoeing the Folk-lore Tales. Clear day. In evening, walked to Bolala's, & engaged sleeping places for the 3 men. I started the messenger of Efulen back, this morning, by 8. A. M. Full moon to-night,

~~Thursday~~ Friday Oct. 13. ~~Bright~~ clear day, Chased some

little boys, who were stealing mangoes from the tree in front of the house. Did not do much writing to-day. Went to factory; but Mr. Ackerman was not returned from Kribi. Work going on well at Ekotia's house. Good audience at Lecture.

Saturday Oct. 14. A clear day, without rain; but with threatening clouds, & some thunder. Writing a very long letter to Rev. Prof. Naylor of Appleton, Wis. The 3 men on Ekotia's house working well. At the Factory, got a box of soap. A German steamer at Kribi. Various jobs, in afternoon. Had prepared my sermon yesterday.

Sabbath Oct. 15. Very heavy rain last night, & it continued until church time; & showy all day. I never saw Lake rise so high, people unable to cross it from Bapuku to church. Very few at church: & small Sab. Sch.

Monday Oct. 16. Morning lowering, but, it cleared off. German steamer in, from Kribi. Got a bale of fish, and a bag of rice from King's. Writing letters all morning. Very sleepy in afternoon; accomplished nothing. My type-writing machine, wh. sister was using, she finds some hitch in, & can not work it. It.

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Tuesday, Oct. 17. Rose with headache, staying morning whole a little. Worked with Utonga. Also, in the afternoon, I actually forgot my Inquiry Class, till a ½ hour late. Clear afternoon. After breakfast, went to see King Madola; but, he was busy with a palaver. Went to see how Ekâtiki's house was going on; & was vexed to see how the men were ekeeping the work.

Wedy. Oct. 18. A fearfully variable day. Headache still hanging on. Summoned the men, & rebuke them for their poor work; and, subsequently, went to town to inspect. Sent Masinda to Kuibi, with mail. Tried to do something at the Folk-lore Tales, at intervals during the day; but, had to rest my eyes. In afternoon, strolled to Madola; but, passed on, as he was having a "palaver." In the evening, went again, on my way through Ngoutak, his 2 little children playfully followed me to the house of Makuve, where I met King Madola, & he came back with me. He told me he was going to-morrow to Ebat, to his sick son. And I told him to finish my palaver with Mene. Masinda returned from Kuibi, with 2 dozen picture-cards I had sent for.

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Thursday Oct. 19: A very rainy day, even making my room dark to see to write. Most of the day at the Folk-lore Tales with Utonga. He was very trying, in his poor attempts at explanation. The woman Bojowa, sister-in-law of Botombeka, passed by after supper, returning from a long absence at Bata. Ekâkie came to the house of Kala, from Lolabe, having come with a fortnight of having come to fulfill his broken promise to build her house.

Friday Oct. 20: A fine clear day. Sent Mainda to Holt's, at Kubi, to sell cacao. At Folk-lore Tales: And then, at 10 A.M., to funeral of Elder Mbwana's little boy: a large concourse; very violent grief of the child's grandmother. After funeral, to Chief Bolabe's to inquire about Ekâkie's pigs: A large number of Bulu people, & their chief. Returning on the beach, a little boy followed, one wanted to go with me, a child of Mbwane, crossing Lewa creek in canoe, Chief Madola at the landing, squaring sills. Went to Ekâkie's, to inspect the house. Afternoon, Tales with Utonga. Nabiki absent in school. Mainda returned, at 6:30 P.M., with word that Chief Mucklaney had arrived at Ehitihiti; & news, from the Hermannsburg, of the rebellion at Bata against Spain

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good audience, at Lotare. Pleasant call from id Mekwe, accompanied by Ekâkin.

Saty Oct. 21: A variable day, but mostly clear. Sent a note of welcome to Mr. Adams at Ekikihiki. Most of the morning at Tales with Melonga, Was cloudy in afternoon. Dark rainy evening.

Sabbath, 22: A bright morning, but turned to rain before chokotaine, Nevertheless, Mr. & Mrs Adams came to church in the rain. And they remained all day; for, rain began again in afternoon; so, they stayed all night. A small mail came in the A.M.; though small, it had letters from daughter Mary, from Miss Guarnere, & from Mr C. F. Nassau.

Monday 23: A variable and mostly rainy day. The Adams returned to Ekikihiki. At the Tales, most of the day. Mene called a most preposterous palaver with Majemu, for gifts of food given long ago to him and his mother! a claim regarded as absurd by the natives. A [illegible] [illegible].

Tuesday Oct. 24: Rain, with a few clear intervals. At Tales, most of the morning, by afternoon, went to show the men about beginning the [illegible] Ekâkin's house, at Ingoby Moses. A

very small company at Prayer Meeting. Afterward, old Mekuve & Ekâkie paid me a pleasant visit.

Wed.y Oct. 25. Rain in morning, clear in afternoon. At the Tales. The workmen on Ekâkie's house doing well. I went, in afternoon, to show them. Sister Bella quite weak & nervous, & with a cold. After supper, when I went on my stroll, met a very large company of men coming from a "palavr" at Madola's about Deiahi and some woman. Went on, and met Madola, Bebala, & Utonga. News to Madola's son at Elat was again bad. Talked to Madola about finishing my "palavr" with Mene. In evening, Ekâkie came, to tell a variety of news. A-lion in steamer at Lubo, at Lubo.

Thursday Oct. 26 } Made no entry on the 26.; Part
Friday " 27 } of the day was clear. Went to Mr. Ackermann's, in morning, to get tobacco, & to market. In the evening, strolled on beach, & met Mr. A. & Mr. Hamondaf. Old Mekuve & Ekâkie visited me in evening.

On Friday, most of the morning, at the Tales. In afternoon, went to show the men at Ekâkie's house, the proper way for making the cap of the roof. After supper, strolled, and

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stopped at old Njonja's house; and, on to where Fanchia, old Mutu's sick daughter, was. Old Ngombi's two little children's loving greeting of me. A tolerably good-sized audience at Sab. Sch. lesson. Lecture. The English steamer is at Kribi; Rev. W. C. Johnston and wife are on board.

Sat. Oct. 28: Rev. W. C. & Mrs Johnston had landed at Kribi, last and had come to Ekikihiki, yesterday evening. They came to visit us, this morning. Then, the mail came; good letters from Avenia. Went to Ekâkiri, to direct the man at her house. And, after dinner, went again, & finished the roof. Came back, & read Mr Haley's story of his visit here at Batanga; a very unjust sketch, I think. It affected the appetites of both sister and myself. In the afternoon, Capt. Hughes had called ashore, to see me. In evening, King Mudola came, and made the final payment of my suit against him for Ekâkiri.

Sabbath Oct. 29: At morning Service, were Mr. & Mrs Adams and Rev & Mrs Johnston. Rain came while we were in church. The visitors did not stay to dinner. My eyes very heavy to-day; and deaf, at the

evening Service. Very dark nights.

Monday Oct. 30 } Woke before daylight, with intense
Tuesday " 31 } perspiration, which continued until 10 A.M.,
and then nausea, but no vertigo. Was unable to anything all day, but lie on the outside of bed.

On Tuesday very weak; but, began to revive with food. Worked Utonga at the Tales, in A.M. & in afternoon at Class, dismissed some young ones who will not try to read. Was too much; felt feverish, & did not go to Prayer-meeting. A mail came: letter from daughter Mary.

Wednesday Nov. 1. Took my breakfast, in bed, feeling very weak from my chill of last night. Rose; dressed: but, did no work all day. Received the monthly bill, & paid them; Rev. W. C. Johnston came to see me, in A.M.. Nbuda & Difefe returned from Lolabe. Rev. Nbuda & Elder Ronji started in the evening for Ubenji.

Thursday Nov. 2. Weak still, from operation of the calomel taken last night. Began to write for the mail. Mawoki, wife of Nbuda, ran away from him. In afternoon, he came to complain. Rev & Mrs Johnston spent the morning & dinner with us.

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felt better, in evening, & strolled into the village, to see how Ekâtia's house was progressing. Morning's

Friday Nov. 3rd. Felt stronger to-day. Wrote letters for America & Notes also took a jotte to Ekitikiti & Waterfall & Sab. Sch. Lesson prepared, in afternoon. After supper, visited Rev. Powell, had audience at Lectures, in evening & Palaniko came, to tell of some matter complaining in town of his wife's providing her child, (while she was teaching); also, to ask me to sing a certain hymn on Sabbath.

Sat. Nov. 4. Went to King's Factory, for sugar & trade biscuits & busy writing for mail, which I sent at 11. A.M. Felt exhausted, & reaction. Dozed after dinner. Prepared sermon. In morning also, I had heard boys hunting with dog down in our jungle. Went with my pistol to shoot the dog, & they ran away. Read, in afternoon. Sent for Bodion. After dusk, he came; & I complained about the boys hunting. In morning also, I had gone to Mudolé, to complain to him; but he was away in Interior. Bright clear day. After supper, went to see how the work was progressing

Ekâtia's house. Bogen came to see me, in my

call. The Factory sent my sugar & biscuits. Ekâkîe has helped a woman in dangerous childbirth, who had been her enemy, an unusual christian act. Moonlight alternating with clouds. Quiet night.

Sabbath Nov. 5th. Variable weather. Very disorderly women and children. Mrs Johnston & her 2 Bulu women. After church, Ekâkîe told me of being struck last night by a mollusk shell filled with poisonous medicine, which made her sick: a very strange story. Heavy rain in afternoon. After Sab. Sch., marriage of Benjamin, son of Ekîtike, and Ntsiwe. They go to Douala, tomorrow. At evening Service, spoke of the disorder in church in the morning.

Monday 6th. Had letters ready to send to Douala by Benjamin. And wrote to Rev. C. R. Edman. And revised some of the Tales. And, by 11 A.M., wondered why Benjamin had not come; only then was told, by one of the girls, that he had come while we were at morning prayers, & had not waited. Tried to write in afternoon; felt no energy. Was annoyed with Ekâkîe's too frequent asking for food, &c., &c. Sent no response. Pleasled to the factory. Bright moonlight.

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Tuesday Nov. 7: Clear bright day, excepting a few showers. Sent Mulongo, with a grenadilla, to Shikikki. On his return, at 10. A. M., was told the Eng. steamer from south, had come at 9. A. M. Hailed to King's, but Mr. Powell had gone off to steamer. Sent Mulongo with the letters, & passage for Mr. Holden, to Waterfall, to be sent off to the steamer there. Mulongo returned with word, from Mr. Powell, the steamer was gone to Kribi, & he sent my letters on there; & sent a fetish, which I took to Shâkiee. Writing up Tales. Had found in the morning, the rear steps of the School house utterly eaten with white ants. Small Singing Class. Rain in evening. Small Prayer-meeting. Arrangements for going to Kribi tomorrow.

Wedy Nov. 8 } At 8. A. M., with 3 men & hammock, on
Thursday " 9 } the way to Kribi. Stopped for a few minutes at ~~the Station~~ Shikikki. Also, at Mr. Powell's, at Waterfall. Bright clear day. The Kribi Bridge is being lengthened on the Jetty. At H. & C., Rested a short time, and went to Randad & Stein, and bought post-cards. Back to H. & C., Mr. Sommerberg was visited out, so I ate with his clerks; among them a mulatto, sitting with whom I was passenger, 4 years ago. After dinner,

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slept some. At 3 P.M., to the Gov't house, to sign a legal document sent me lately by a man in Monrovia, who holds a deed of property sold, to him by Chief Hugh Smith. On way back, went to Post Office, for stamps. Crossed the river, to see Mr. Morris of Holt's; & get the pay for the cacao. Signs of heavy rain. Back to H. & for supper, & the Davis, Mr. Ackermann, at the table. A good room to sleep in; but, bed too short.

On Monday, up early. Rain. So stopped at 9.30 A.M., & I started, with the man & hammock. One of my feet sore. Rain began again at Buwabi. Stopped at Lobi Factory, for a few minutes. On, in the rain; & it stopped, as I emerged on beach at Ekikihiki. Strong plantage. Arrived at 12.30, quite tired. Rested all afternoon. A Nzebaya woman, who was not a church-member, came to tell about some trouble with her husband. Ekâkine came to welcome my return. Had bought some fish for her. Cold wind & showers. Retire early.

Friday Nov. 10: Bright clear day. Wrote a reply to the Minnesota bankers, Jacobson. And, worked at the Tables. Betâme came, in after school; she looks thin. A rainy morning. Company passed by the school,

during evening lecture. Moonlight.

Saturday, Nov. 11. A rainy day. At the Tales. Prepared sermon. Went to the factory, in afternoon, Rev. W. M. Dager and S. F. Johnson, M.D., who had arrived at ~~Kt~~ Ekikitiki ~~Sha~~ on Saturday, came to see sister, & to consult with me, about the Schools and other Batanga affairs. Paid Mbula-Difefe his wages. Trouble with Sayoka, & Kakice's sister-in-law, about her sickness.

Sabbath 12. Rev. W. Dager passed, on his wheel, to services at Ebunja & Mondotinge. Clear day, in morning. Much confusion in re-arrangement of sittings, the ushers requiring children to sit with their parents. But it displeased some of the people. Kwadi was angry with Elder Mbula, because of it, & he was not at Sab. Sch.. Bwandi came to say the R.C. priest was trying to kidnap her little boy, to keep him from our school. Good meeting in the evening. Rain while in church.

Monday 13. A rainy day. Mr. Pearsall, of Hix C. at Waterfall, sent more building materials. Work on Ekikie house resumed. White ants on school-house post. At the Tales. Looked over my trunks, for the journey to Gaboon. S. F. Johnson M.D. came to see sister. Ekikie and

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to visit Gabon.

Tuesday Nov. 14th. Threatening weather in A.M.; [illegible] in afternoon. Made first draft of long letter, reply to the letter of inquiry of Rev'd Brown, about the Moslems of Africa. Small attendance at Singing Class. Revised the first draft. Was exceedingly disappointed at Sister Bella's unwillingness to allow Ekakie to go to Libreville, in her care. Ekitike arrived from Ubinji to-day. Palaver engaged as porter.

Wednesday 15th. Rose with a headache. Idle day. At Reply to the Moslem letter, copied the revised draft. Rev. Nibula & Elder Ronji returned from Ubinji. Tried to send a package to Rev. Nyongo at Kanje, by Kola going in a boat; but, he was not in his house, and when he came at noon, I was at my dinner; & W. not attend to him. Ulonga came to help with Tales. Janga, carpenter, came to see about journey to Mr. Nyongo. Nibula & Dipipi came to tell of Kwedi's quarrel with him on last Sabbath. Paid him in full for the previous year. Matanga arranged with Ekakie, for her journey to Kalabi. Rev. Dr. Johnson, & Mr. Adams visited the Boys School. Pester with Magic Lantern in evening.

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Thursday Nov. 16 } Forgot to make entry last night.
Friday " 17 } A mail came, with a long Mission Letter, which caused me a great deal of thought, and kept me from sleep. So, having gone to bed at 10. P.M., I got up again at 12.30. A.M. of Friday, and ate and read, & went to bed again at 1.30. A.M. German steamer at Kribi. Finished letter to daughter Mary. Some preparations for the journey to Gabon. Revd Messrs W.C. Johnston and Dager came, to talk about Batanga affairs. Heavy rain in afternoon. Few at evening Lecture, & Sabbath School Lesson.

Saturday Nov. 18. Clear day. German steamer came; put 4 letters by it. Spent the day in selecting things for journey to Libreville, & packing. Gathered cocoanuts for the visitors at Ekikiki. For Sister Bella, Badiwadi, & Ekikie, and Betame. In afternoon, Mrs S.F. Johnson, Mrs McCleary, and Miss McKenzie called to see Sister Bella. Made arrangement with the workmen to build a Kitchen for Ekikie, after [illegible] leave is [illegible] Very tired with my days many jobs.

Sabbath Nov. 19. Clear day. At church, were Mrs McCleary, Mrs S.F. Johnson, & Miss McKenzie, and the little

daughter of Dr. Lehmann, ~~&~~ with Frau Martin, x Kay.
Good Sab. School. Betame well again.

Monday Nov. 20. Bright clear day. At a great variety of final preparations, for the journey to Libreville. Teachers Utonga and Balake stopped, on their way back to Kibi and Plantation; Njombe came to tell of her being cast off by her son, and deprived of her garden by her late husband's relatives. Betame and Mavene, in afternoon. Went to see Mr. Powell. While there Utonga ~~call~~ came, to call me to see the "Behings" or Wrestling match in town, between Bongahili and Waterfall: not a thorough wrestling; too much talking and quarreling.

Tuesday 21. Fine clear day. Continued at closing of my trunks and boxes. Wrote my ~~ch~~ complaint to Presbytery against the Ch. Session; and copied it in the afternoon. Went to the village, & gave direction about the size of the kitchen to be built. A number of visitors during the day. The 3 men working on Ekakin's house came, to get part of their pay; Embilo acted disrespectfully. After the evening Prayer meeting, read to the church my report, for the 12 months of my treasurership, with a balance on hand of only 83 pfennig.

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Wedy Nov. 22. Clear day. Sent Matsida on errand to Kribi. At a variety of last jobs of packing. Went for the man Nje, and showed him favor, over the other men of yesterday. Revising Tales. In afternoon, Messrs Mr. Hemmeal, Dr. Lehman, & Rev. Mr. Fraser called to see me. The drunken husband, beating his wife, almost killed his younger brother with an axe. A shark bit a man's foot. Both patients at the hospital. Went to town, & paid Utongi $5, for his Tales. News, at, as late as yesterday noon, the "Akalo" had not reached Duala.

Thursday 23. Clear warm day. Continued final packing. At the Tales. Completed the revision, in the afternoon. Sent payments to Mrs Adams, and to Betame, & Botombaka. Was displeased at Ekiki's daughter, Malango, asked me for a gift of a dress. Word came, in afternoon, that the English steamer "Akalo", had left Duala to-day, at 11 a.m.

Friday 24. A showery rainy day. Still at final jobs, and writing out Tales. The "Akalo" was early seen at Kribi, but, anchored herself far out. Not much prospect of it coming here to-morrow. Note to me from Ekikiki. Rev. W. C.

Johnston called, in morning. Inatanga came to be on hand, ready for the steamer. A company of Interior people at church, in evening. Dark night.

Saty Nov. 25. A variable weather. Rev. W. C. and Mrs Johnston, and Mrs Weber called; and he bought my typewriter. Still at final arrangements. Seeing that we would be delayed here to-morr, I prepared my sermon. Final directions to the two men, who are to stay on guard here. The "Akabo" came to anchor before 6.30.

Sabbath Nov. 26. The "Akabo" sending freight ashore to King's beach. Went to beach, & enquired of officer, & found they wd. be working here all morning. Afterward, Mr. Gultine came ashore, & said when finished here, wd. go back to take passengers at Cape Shitébiki, & land goods at Waterfall. Went to church as usual, at 9.30 A.M.; just [illegible] 10.40, a message from the Factory came, to say the last 2 boats were coming. As soon as we [illegible], went with the native passengers & their baggage, & saw them into one boat, & off to the steamer. And then, had finishing of my baggage & [illegible]; [illegible] & [illegible]

a little rice-pudding, & were finally off by 11.30 A.M. The many good-bye hands of the people. On the "Akabo", paid for my 6 deck-passages. Steamer took to Ebikihiki. Three boat-loads of 20 missionaries & their babies. Some headache. Finally, steamer starting at 7 P.M., for Elobi, It will call at Hanja & Bata, on its way back. Rain at intervals. Some singing in the saloon; but, they were C.E. songs, which I did not enjoy. Would have preferred Eng. songs.

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By daylight of 27th we were entering Corisco Bay, having intentionally run by Bata & Benita, at night.

Anchored at Elobi island; and then at Ukâkâ beach. And, in a rain, started out of the Bay, by 3.30 P.M. And, at 9.30 P.M., anchored in view of the Gabon lighthouse. Was sorry for Ekâtin getting wet on the deck passage.

By 7 A.M. of the 28th, at anchor, in Gabon harbor, Rev. Mr. Cunningham and Langlois came off to meet us. The French Customs officers relieved us of examn., & the 22 white adults, their 5 children, & baggage, were allowed to go free. But the 10 native passengers had to go to the Plateau, for

exam. Mr. Dager & I went with them; & the French officer came to exam. although passed their hour of 11 A.M. Four of the men had to pay duty on their new clothing. The boat took their baggage, & they & Mr. D. & I walked up the road to Nkim. On the way, I left them, & took Ekâkie to Oyongue, house of Augustyn. And then, on to the beach, to see the men & their baggage distributed to their native entertainers. Stopped at Mr. Hudson's, and got provisions to send to Oyongue for Ekâkie. And came on up to Baraka, to a late dinner by myself. In afternoon, took my soiled clothes, for washing, to Oyongue.

On the 29th, Went to Plateau, & paid the 28 francs, for the 4 men, at the Custom house. And, called at Mr Ainsley's. Stopped, on the way, to see Akas Gouma. And, went to dinner. After dinner, rested. And went to Oyongue's, to carry to Ekâkie her ~~[illegible]~~ hat. Back to supper. And, in evening, at church prayer-meeting.

Thursday Nov. 30th.

A Thanksgiving service was held, in the Baraka parlor, at 10. I presided, at the request of Rev. Messrs W. C. Johnston, Dager, & Fraser. They had come to me yesterday afternoon. I, at first, declined; because I do

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~~All~~ not favor introducing American customs here. Also, I did not like to address an audience, 1/2 of whom, I believed, did not like me, & wd. not care to listen to me. They said they did not think that, Rev. Sage admitted, perhaps a 1/2 dog did not like me. But, I yielded; & I made an address of 15 minutes. Then, Mission organized. Mission gave me leave to visit the Ogowe. After dinner, half of the company went on "Dorothy", to inspect the Fang work up river. I went to Thomas factory, & did not find him place open. Returned to Oyorgumo, & found Rorji & Matanga with Ekâkin. Oya-moro came then to complain of her guest, Matanga, being taken from her. Back to Banta. In evening, a game called "Light", in the parlor.

Friday Dec. 1st. A showery day. Read in A. M., & prepared Sermon. In afternoon, went to Oyorgumo's; neither she nor Ekâkin were there. On to Hulls, & bought case of biscuits. Back to Mr. Ainslie, & a chat with him. Back to Oyorgumo's; they were both at home. To Mr. Hudson's; to Nengi's; to Atyewokin's, & back in time for supper. After supper, played Mission with Mr. Krug & others.

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Saturday Dec. 2. Cloudy; but, no rain. At 9. A.M., went to Ogyoguna's, & with her & Kátiné, went to Hall's, & bought; and on to Dawson, & bought. Walked around the road by the Botanical Garden, & to a small shop, but got nothing. While the 2 women were at Hall's, I went to the market, and bought fish. As it was near noon, I left the 2 women, and hurried back to dinner. In afternoon, continued the sermon I was preparing for to-morrow morning, and wrote letters to Rev. J. Haley, Mrs Kenmure, & Prof. Libby, came to my room early at night.

Sabbath, Dec. 3. Clear morning, Rain in afternoon and at night. In A.M., rose with a slight headache, wh. increased during the day. Took the entire morning Service in Mpongwe, Mr. Cunningham's English afternoon Service, Went to see Ogyoguna, met Ngwedeka, who had come from the other side of the Bay to see me. Native Service in the evening, conducted by Elder John Wesley. Retired early.

Monday Dec 4. In morning write, and, in afternoon, went to see Ngwedeka: & to Ogyoguna, and back to Nanga. Lagomarsino in evening. About 8. P.M., the company of the "Dorothy" returned.

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Tuesday Dec. 5. The "Akalo" returned from the south. A cloudy day. Mission Meeting in morning; Reports read. About 10.30 A.M., went out of meeting, to H & C. Factory, & bought 5 yds of linen for Nange, & at noon sent it to her by Ovenga. In afternoon, walked with Sister Bella, to Holt's, & shopped. On return, very dark clouds; & rain followed in less than ½ hour later. Very heavy rain-fall; but, it stopped by 7 P.M. for opening of Phy. Somewhat of a contest for the election to Moderatorship, between 2 native ministers and a native Elder. I resigned my Stated Clerk-ship.

Wed. Dec 6. A clear bright day. Mission Prayer-Meeting, in the morning. And another, in the afternoon, which I did not attend. Work for Phy, in afternoon, while the others were at meeting. A Mr. Dr. Coupe, a French missionary, from the Ogowe, came, just arrived from France. Wed. evening Prayer-Meeting; and after it, another social religious meeting. As I went out, on the path was Dr. Weber, who made honorable apology to me, for his conduct against me this past year; informed me that it was

Mrs Dager, & not Mrs Ogden, who was one of the 4 who voted against my resignation last Feby. He also informed me of the general ill-feeling against me in the Mission. A wonderful revelation! not well-consisting with the prayers that most of them have been making, with such apparent earnestness.

Thursday Dec. 7th. Went, with Mr. Lowrie, to the Plateau, to the office of the Chargeur Reunis, & inquired about schedule of steamer times for the Ogowe. And left Mr. L. to go in a boat to the French steamer. At the market, on the way down, I had bought fish for Oyongueno, & sent it by a little boy I had brought along. Returned, and stopped in a village, to see Emenguri of Nange. And back to the house. Was wet with perspiration, and I bathed & changed clothes. In afternoon, at 4½, a remarkable demonstration of affection & respect by the native brethren, against my resigning the Stated Clerkship. After meeting, went to Mr. Hudson, of H. & C., about some photographs. In the evening, news of the murder of 5 missionaries by a Prince in China. Moonlight,

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Felt quite sentimental, with the music of a cornet and flute, in some old love-songs played, by 2 of the missionaries, in an adjacent house.

Friday, Dec. 8th. A dark rainy day. Spent the whole morning, writing up Phy documents. In afternoon, most of the time was taken up by a discussion of Rev. Edmond's wish for dissolution of his Pastorate of Kibi. In evening, played checkers with Mr. Farrar & won all three games.

Saturday, Dec. 9th. Spent the morning at writing up Phy documents, & arranging papers. Reading Mr. Verner's book "Pioneering in Central Africa", & in it he speaks of meeting me in 1896. At 4.15 p.m. in company with Rev. Mr. Langlais & Farrar (?), went, on Committee, to call on the French Gov., our respects. At ~~Dennis~~ Hart's Factory, we joined Mr. Schwab; and at Dennis Factory, Mr. Ford. At the Gov., rec'd with cordiality, & was introduced to Madame Fournereau. Returning, stopped to see Ayongue & Ekâkina; while there Nkula-Bepfié & Ndenga-Fipa came to call. All day, at Banks, there had been celebration of Dr. Blunt's birthday; in the morning, he was hazed in a rowdy manner,

Messrs Dager, Hemmingway, Guthrie, & Henninger; and the girls were kept up all day, with a good cake at supper. In evening, I enjoyed water-ice, which was passed to the entire company.

Sabbath, Dec. 10th. A bright clear day. Sermon by Rev. L. D. Henninger. After church, showed Mutanga and Ekâkise around the premises. In afternoon, English service by Rev. M. Fraser. After which, I walked to town, with Mary Boardman and Akeno Governor, leaving the latter at Azuwa town, & going to see Ekâkise, about her unsatisfactory entertainment by Oyongumo. Then, on to Mrs Ainslay's, to see whether she would receive Ekâkise. Back to Oyongumo, & blamed her for her neglect; but she objected to Ekâkise leaving; so, I allowed the matter to drop. Late at supper. Retired early. A cablegram from the Board that Mr. Kerr was not to return to us; & Mr. Boppell uncertain.

Monday, Dec. 11th. Lovely morning. Wrote and read. In afternoon, Pliz; the last hour of wh, I, by appointment, led a service of prayer for Holy Spirit in the churches. I tried to have Pliz restore the license of Ekâkise. In morning, Minion had completed

the assignment of the missionaries; but it deliberately insulted me by ignoring me entirely, not even mentioning my name or giving me place. Dr. Weber was the only one who showed me any kindness. Heavy rain, in evening. A small English steamer came in. In the evening, games of checkers, "Flinch", and "Jenkins". We were served with excellent ice-cream, from ice obtained from the French hospital ice-machine.

Tuesday, Dec. 12th. A variable day. Writing minutes in morning, and packed the shells I had bought of Ndenga-Pipa. In afternoon, Bly; a steady downpour of heavy rain for 2 hours. And after an intermission, the rain resumed at night.

Wed'y, 13th. A cloudy day, wh. cleared in afternoon. In morning, at Minutes, &c.; and went to H. & C., to make some purchases. Afternoon Bly; at the close of wh., the Gov. & Madame Fourneau officially returned our call of last Sat'y. My Complaint against the Batanga Ch. Session was considered in Committee. A damp; cold evening.

Thursday, 14th. A variable day. As usual, at the

Minutes. And Pbly in afternoon. And, in the evening, some ridiculous amusements, by the younger members of the Mission, in the Baraka parlor. I thought some of them rough and undignified.

Friday Dec. 15: A bright clear day. As usual, at Minutes. At 11. A.M., went to tell Ekikie of the Social Entertainment this afternoon. In afternoon, Pbly; the complimentary request for me to make a Digest. At 4 P.M. the Pbly and Mission, & native members of Pbly, & native invited, & hostesses of the native visitors, met in church, with music & sandwich &c. refreshments. Four of the young men of the Mission had the discourtesy to not accept Mrs Cunigham's invitation, & stayed outside playing tennis. Had a headache all day. Ate a small breakfast, but no dinner (only tea) nor any thing at the 4. P.M. entertainment (except coffee) nor any supper. In evening, went to see Egaliniga, who is entertaining Ekikie.

Saturday, Dec. 16. A clear day; my medicine operated, and the headache left. Wrote some. In afternoon, to Gabaon's, to inquire about the "Elizabeth", the yacht of the German Governor of

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Kamaren came in this morning. To Holt's, to Mr Ainley's; met Antyandi, who is married, since I was here 2 years ago. At Ogongue's to inquire whether the fish I had bought at the market & had sent by a boy, had come. To H & C., and to Nengi's. After supper, played tiddlywinks; & refreshments of ice-cream. Very undignified rowdy-like acts of Mr. Guthrie & other young men, for Mr. G's birthday.

Sabbath, Dec. 17th. A clear day. Rev. W. M. Dager preached in the morning. In afternoon, Communion Service, conducted by Rev. W. C. Johnston. Went to see Ekâkie at Ogongue's house. Just as I left, came two Frenchmen on horseback going to see Ogongue. Am very dissatisfied with the unhospitable manner in wh. Ogongue treats Ekâkie. Retired early; the day's solemnity was spoiled by making of the missionaries worldly talk, about plans for going back to their stations; and, by a riotous dance of natives, in Rétiga's town, by Ukuka ceremonies.

Monday, Dec. 18th. A very warm day. Ekâkie came, with her machine, & I called John Wooky, & he put it in order so it would sew. ~~At midnight~~

Went, with Ekâkine, to H. & C. & bought her some thing. Was indignant at her story of Ogongue's neglect of her; & I urged her to let me take her away and put her with some other hostess. But, though she was suffering neglect, she was unwilling to leave, lest Ogongue be made ashamed. At minutes. Later on, I went to Mgwakani's, and told him about Ekâkine's troubles. And then, I went to Nenge, and asked her to do my washing, instead of Ogongue; but she was afraid of Ogongue's displeasure. So, I sent word to Mrs Ainsley, who consented. Closed Pliz, in afternoon. In evening, played "flinch" with Mr Dagg, Mr Adams, & Mr Cunningham.

Tuesday, 19th } Photo of the company taken; I would
Wed'y 20th } not join them (as I had been "counted out" of minor affairs) until Mrs Adams, Dr S.F. Johnson, & Mr & Mrs King insisted on my coming. Nenge, who had refused to take my washing yesterday, came to say she was willing; but, I had sent them to Mrs Ainsley. In afternoon, went to Post office, for set of stamps; to Bauman, for picture postal-card; to Gelsane, for hats; to

Holt; to Mrs Ainsley, & tell her all about Ayongue's neglect of Ekâkine. Some rain. In evening, some games in Baratta parlor, Charades &c.

On Wedy. Rev. Mr. Nyongo and his company of natives left, Dr. Glendon going with them. Ekâkine came, bringing her bundles, for me to pack in my large box. Rev. W.C. Johnston suddenly made a plan to go, in the "Lafayette", to Cornico and Batanga, & the remaining 4 natives agreed to go with him: leaving Ekâkine here to go, in Sister Bella's care, by Eng. steamer. In evening prayer-meeting, only Mrs Ogden & I were the only white attendants. The boat left, with 5 white male missionaries & little Elizabeth Lehman; it was towed down river by the "Dorothy."

Thursday Dec 21st. A bright warm day. Ekâkine came to tell me of her shopping at the Factories. Dr. Weber took a company of missionaries, on the "Dorothy", to visit the Ayol church. All the ministers, most of the day. In evening, the excursionists returned from Ayol. I went, on invitation, to 7.15 dinner at H. & C., & Mr. Hudson gave me an hour of gramophone music, after dinner. Returned

to this house shortly after 10. P.M.

Friday Dec. 22. A somewhat cloudy day, Birth-day of S. F. Johnson, M.D. It was observed in a gluttonous way. At the minutes, all morning. In afternoon, went to Holt's, to inspect a pair of elephant tusks Mr. Ives had obtained for me. At Bauman's, bought, for Sister Bella, a package of photo-postal cards. On way back, called at Mrs Ainsley's; she was sick. In the evening, some games, in the Baraka parlor, and ice-cream. Dr. Johnson thanked the company for the pleasures of the day. But, after we had retired to our house, the young men, Hummel, Schwab, and others came to the house with a disgraceful racket of horns & tin-pans, as a Galathumpian Band.

Saty, Dec. 23. A clear warm day. Completed entering the minutes in the Record book. In afternoon, ~~wrote~~ finished my sermon for tomorrow. In evening, bagomandy with Mrs Cunningham, Miss McKenzie, and Mr. Hummel. Excellent ice-cream in the evening.

Sabbath Dec. 24. Some confusion, in morning, from Nkyewakonds having asked both Rev. Mr. Langley & myself to conduct the A.M. church service: it was settled that I should conduct it all in Nfongwa.

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Probably the last sermon I will ever preach in Libreville; on Mat. 1. 23. "Emmanuel, – God with us", – a Christmas sermon. No public service in afternoon. Took a stroll out on the prairie, – past the ruins of Mrs Pratt's burned house, – on the boulevard, past house of Ovanga = Maggie, Bigman's former wife. At evening service, Elder J. Working repeated part of my sermon of the A.M., & reported the doings of Preaching.

Monday, Dec. 25th. Christmas Day. Ekakine came to see me, and went to call on Sister Bella. Sister's spiteful treatment of her. Threatening weather in ~~afternoon~~ morning; Spent A.M. in writing second copy of minutes, In afternoon, sent Christmas cards to Mr. Hudson, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Ives (of Holt), & Gabaon, and Mrs Ainsley. Called on John Working, and at Mbyowaka's. In evening, a Christmas tree for the white visitors, & the natives of the household; Mr. Sickat was Santa Claus, but he spoiled it by acting as a clown. I received 4 souvenirs, one from Mr. Hemiwal, and one from Miss Mackenzie.

Tuesday, Dec. 26th. A clear day. A company of eight, went up the river on the "Dorothy". At the minutes.

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Went to the Plateau, & bought toys at Mandon's; called at Holt's; had called at Mrs Ainslay's, on my way down. There Ekâkise had gone to wash clothes. Back for dinner, a little late. Late in afternoon, called at Egaling's. In the evening, played "flinch" with Mesdames Kelly, Johnston (W.C.), & McCleary. Discovered that the light, which I had been seeing in the graveyard, had been reflected on Augustus's white marble, from the lamps, through the open door of the lower storeroom. But the house was closed last night, & the light was not seen.

Wedy Dec. 27: A clear day. Finished the second copy of minutes. In afternoon, went to call on Nenge; also on Mr. Hudson. At evening Prayer-meeting, Ekâkise had come alone; & I escorted her to Azuwa town.

Thursday, Dec. 28: Labor day. The English steamer "Secondi", came in early, from north. Immediately after breakfast, with Messrs Langlais & Hemmel, I went to the steamer, & was introduced to Capt Tyser. More confusing news, about the times of steamers, for connection at Cape Lopez, for my visit to the Ogowe. A large mail had been sent on, from

Batanga. Exciting distribution of the 4 bags of mail, at Baraka; 13 letters for me; my resignation not yet accepted by the Board. In afternoon, sister Belle and I read our letters together. Ekâkine came from the Women's Prayer-meeting, with a message from Njiro. And I at once went with her; & joining Njiro at her house, went the long walk to the factory at the Plantation. Was annoyed at Ekâkine's foolish recklessness in buying. Was too late for supper at Baraka; & went to Nengi's, & she cooked me an egg, & I ate it with mevândâ. At this house by 8 P.M.

Friday, Dec 29. Clear day. Re-reading my letters, and arranging my papers. Did not go to visit the farms, as I had expected to do. Supper was made late, to suit the tennis-players. Late in afternoon, Dr. S. J. Johnson extracted one of my eye-teeth: my teeth becoming very few and few.

Saty, 30. A headache all day. Ate no food at noon; drank only a cup of tea. In afternoon, went to see Mrs Ainsley. On to Holt's; wanted to see Mr Ives, but he was occupied with some Customs officers. Took only soup for supper. Felt better;

in evening played "Think" with Mr & Mrs. C. Johnson and Mr Adams.

Sabbath Dec. 31st. Clear day. Mr. Henriquez preached in the morning. Ekâkina was not at church; but early in afternoon, she came looking sick, saying she had not been well for 2 days. After she had gone, & late in afternoon, I took a stroll around the prairie, & down to the boulevard, & up through a village where I saw the dances Antyande. At evening Service, Mr. Cunningham led Monthly Concert on Japan.

Monday Jany 1st 1906. Began to write letters for the mail. In afternoon, Dr. S. F. Johnson extracted a tooth. Ekâkina came, in distress, having lost an order I had written for her to Halt. Lest it be found by some one else, I went at once to Halt, & stopped the payment of it. On the way back, called at Nanger's. Nothing doing in the evening, in which I could engage; & I retired early, after walking up and down the path by the church, in the moonlight.

Tuesday 2nd. Clear day. Writing letters, Confidential talk with Dr. Weber. Ekâkina came, to see about the journey to Batanga. At letters again, in afternoon. My bedding was packed up; so, I was transferred to

the old iron storehouse, with Messrs Hummel & Hemringer. The pleasantest evening of my stay; was treated with more cordiality than formerly, by almost all. Ice-cream at 9. P.M., During the afternoon, Tito and Ovanga-Bella had visited me, & Tito mended a hole in one of my stockings.

Wed'y Jan'y 3'. Wrote letters all morning. In afternoon, took a large pile to the Post-Office; bought more postal-photo cards at Daumas; called to see Mr. Rebaney, but he was not in; paid my bill at Holt's; called to see Mr Ainsley. On the way back, stopped at H. & C., to ask for my bill there: and back for supper. Wrote another letter, Farewell Service, at evening Prayer-Meeting. Pretty moonlight night.

Thursday, 4'. Stormy morning; cleared by 11. A.M. The Eng. steamer came in by 1. P.M. A mistake ~~to~~ a permit had not been sent for, for Okökin. Mr. Cunningham sent for it at 1.30. P.M. My anxiety whether it could be obtained at 1. P.M., Messrs Langlois & Hummel went to the steamer to inquire times. By 2. P.M., Mr. C. went to beach, to meet Mr. L. returning; & I went with him, to pay my bill at H. & C. Word came ~~to~~ the

steamer wd go out today. Hurried up to John Wookey's house, & got Mr Lewis son to go, to bring Ekâkin's trunk, to Mr Lewis house, by the beach. Waited anxiously for the permit to come. The missionaries began to go to the pier, & most of the baggage. I kept back Ekâkin's trunk, until I had know whether the permit had come. About 4. P.M., went to the beach to see whether Ekâkin had come, met her & Ogyongwe & other women coming to the beach. Left her at Mr Lewis, & hurried back to this house. All were gone but Mr. C. & Mr. Hemmel, the last baggage being sent down. Went down to Mr Lewis, & called Ekâkin & her escort to the pier. A boat-load of the last company of missionaries & some of the baggage with another boat was just leaving. Hope failed the Capt. wd help. The "La Fayette" was sent, with Mr. Hemmel, Ekâkin, & a load of baggage. A load still left on the pier. S. F. Johnson, M.D., & I remaining there; did not believe the steamer wd go today; still expected a boat to return. At 5.45, we were indignant to see the steamer leave! The 2 boats returned, great regret the clothing & other need for the Johnston infants, & baby King, & the mail

had not gone: four of Sister Bella's pieces of baggage were left. All baggage brought back to this house, much indignation at the Capt. Plans to send the baggage by the Benita boat "Willie". Slept alone at the iron-store. A heavy storm at night.

Friday, Jany 5: Messrs Cunningham & Johnson hunting off the Benita boat, to take the baggage yesterday, to Batanga. I went to Mrs Lewis, & then to Agenua village, to inquire about a key, wh. Bodumba said Ekakia had taken him. She had lost; the people said she had found it. Wrote a hasty letter to Sister Bella. Spent the rest of the morning, & part of the afternoon, on a long letter to Reily Brown. Went to call on Nenge. The missing Christmas box had come to Mrs Cunningham, & hasty preparations were made for the Christmas tree in the church, in the evening, a pleasant service, Rev. & Mrs C., Rev. & Mrs Langlois, Dr. & Mrs S. F. Johnson, & Mrs Ogden. The crowd of natives were in good order and happy over their gifts.

Sat., Jany 6. Wrote some more letters, Bodumba left finally, for his work with Corisco church. In afternoon, I went to post letters at Post Office. Then to office of Chargeur Reunis, to inquire ~~to~~ of journey

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le Ogowe. Then to Holt's. At Post Office, found a letter from Rev. W. Hays, of Ngomo, Ogowe. And, at Holt's, a bill, which had not been sent to me, for almost 3 years. Then, to Mrs Ainsley; found her sick. A beautiful moonlight night; a watermelon at supper; but, of poor quality.

Sabbath Jany 7: A clear day. Mr. Langlais began his pastorate of the church today, & preached, with Ngwakeno, as interpreter. Handi stopped to see me, after church. In afternoon, the Lord's Supper; I made the address. A quiet day, with reading. In evening, the meeting led by native. A beautiful moonlight night.

Monday 8: Clear day. A steamer was seen coming in, which proved to be a German one. And, about 10 A.M., another was seen, which proved to be the expected French "Paraguay". Mrs Ford helped me divide the plants Dr Weber had brought, for me & Batanga, from Angom. Packed my trunk. After dinner, went to steamer office, & bought my ticket, $5.; at Bonnoy bought a water-carafe: at Holt's, paid my bills. Had not time to go & see Handi or Mrs Ainsley. Completed my packing. At night, played bagomachy with

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Mr & Mrs Langlois, & Mr Cunningham & Mrs S. F. Johnson. The 2 ladies made the game tedious, by their slow play. Some rain at night.

Tuesday Jany 9th. Wrapped my rug & mosquito net in a bundle, & was completely packed. After breakfast, word came, from Ovenga, that the missio. boat, that was to take me to steamer, was swamped with leakage & rain. So, at 8. A.M., I had to walk to Plateau pier, & my baggage was wheeled & carried by Ovenga & 2 others. At first, had thought of H. & C. boat, but, it was going up river. Another steamer coming in. I asked Mr Gebauer, but, his boat was not going to "Passangy". A crowd at the pier; the customs officer gave me passage in his boat. At the steamer, by 9. A.M., due to go at 10. A.M., did not start till 11. A.M. Some 60 native soldiers, & some 3 dozen white passengers; among them, 4 ladies. A long tiresome "dejeuner", at 11.15. Did not approve of men & women using tooth-picks at table; nor, of men smoking at table. Felt sleepy. Read. And, found an officer, who could talk a little English, to tell me about transferring my baggage at Cape Lopez, to the "Avant garde" river-steamer. A rapid passage, anchoring at

Cape Lopez, before 6 A.M. In evening, Mr Janson, of Hatz + Mr Millington, of H.C., were on board, + they assisted me in revising my schedule, for the journey. Decided to count out the Eng. steamer, + found the "Paragon" wd be in Cape L. again, on way to Gabon, about the 20th. Decided to shorten my visit in Ogowe, + hasten back to the Cape, for the 20th, moonlight. Was annoyed at one of the Frenchmen having taken possession of my steamer-chair all the evening. Very poor and uncomfortable state-room. Went to bed late.

Wedy Jany 10th. Did not sleep well. Rose early, + drank a cup of poor coffee, at 7 A.M., and by 7.30, Mr Janson came, with his boat, + gave it + crew to me, while he attended to his freight on board. Left, with the crew, + a Frenchman, whom I took ashore to the port, putting my baggage on the "Avant-garde", on the way. Returned, to visit an American back trading in the Bay, Capt + Mrs Van Horn, of New England, + sat at their breakfast. Then, went ashore to H + C., + stayed with Mr. Millington, until 11 A.M. Had sent the boat back to Hatz. Walked, +, on the way, sent telegram to Hatz at Libreville, that Capt. Davis shd not expect

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to find me at the Cape. Stayed at Mr. Jones's for lunch. Saw Abidi there. At 1.45 P.M., with Mr. J., went to "Avantguarde", for the notified hour of 2 P.M. And, Mr. J. went on to "Paraguay". "Avantguarde" did not start till after 4 P.M. Foolish carelessness of a native leaving his pieces of baggage in a small canoe alongside, wh., when the steamer started, was swamped & broken by the stern wheel. Steamer had to stop for a belated canoe of its crew. Across the Bay slowly. Was pointed out an Avange creek, which it will be better for me to come on, in my coming down river, if in a canoe, & if water of Bay rough. The setting sun, with a long gleam of light across the river bringing memory of the Ogowe sunsets, wh., long ago, I tried to describe. Antics of an Eng. terrier dog & her puppy with a cat & her kittens & a large dog, belonging to the French Administrator and his wife going to Lembarene. The mangroves lines bringing up past journeys: almost weird, as the shadows of the trees on the banks converged forward, seeming to close on path, but constantly opening as we advanced.

Sunday, Jan. 11th. The moon was full, & night clear; so, the steamer traveled all last night. Sleep somewhat broken by the [illegible] stoppages.

Arose at 6. A.M., & dressed at 6.30: [illegible]; Just before 7. A.M. we passed Ewyângâ, where lives Ngatye, whose mother, [illegible], had given me a letter for her; but, steamer did not stop; gave the letter to the pilot to hand ashore [illegible]. By 8. A.M. passed the town of Ioewe old King [illegible], Ndago, opposite where had stayed the "Pioneer" for 12 days, on my first journey up [illegible] in Sept. 1874. Passed a raft of [illegible] logs idly lying by the river side, belonging to [illegible]. Wondered why its crew was not making use of the current [illegible]. Long stretches of marsh and forests, on the [illegible] shore. Recognized every particular tree, at the town of Ioewe old Onwangâmbe, stopped to take in fire wood. Ngâgi's old place very small; he is dead. Met 4 trippers; the Frenchmen that [illegible] & I think, wounded one. At Asyuka, some people recognized me, & held out their arms toward me in welcome. Saw only 1 monkey; but many blue herons, & woodpeckers, & eagles. Looking toward

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Igonja, the [illegible] Tower in the distance. Off of Igonja, the "Mango-stream", [illegible] "Isles of Beauty". Passed Igonja at [illegible]; air pleasantly cool, after the hot midday. Atyia [illegible] and another former Atyia Talagugu employee came off in canoe, to Igonja, [illegible] who was going to mission at Okamikita. Passed town of Olambagwe, Ramonda's old village. We told the Yongwe had been awaiting us at Igonja. The current strong. By 10. P.M., at Ngomu Station; Orangâ. Stopped for wood, & tied for the night. Rev. Messrs Haug & Ellenbarger came off to welcome us; also a Mr. Pelot. Hasty talk about my plans for at Atyia [illegible]. News of Mâmbâ, & Avoragonjo, son of Paul Agonjo, & Elder Okendo: & about Messrs [illegible] & Taisson, & Ombago, & Mr. [illegible] missionaries, decline of Igonja. Went to bed at 11. P.M. Ngomu is told town of my former [illegible] Atyia.

Friday Jan'y 12th. Started at 5.30. A.M. The fine [illegible] country, & [illegible]. All the former villages in their places, & larger & better [illegible]. Wombâliga village, Avegâ's old village, Jâmbalika village; my trade roommate landed there, at his factory. Then, on to the French posts, at Lambarene, by 1.30. P.M.

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The Administrator Dubosc & his wife landed there, there remained the Commissioner of railway, the photographer, & 2 other men (the machinist having returned to Cape Lopez on the "Ecclésiaste", which met this morning near Wombaliya). Then, to landing of H. & C., while the Rovatanga (of Iguéja) came on board, to see me. Also, recognised a former workman, whose name I cd not recall. Then, to French factory of Montaye. There came the missionary Ottmann, in a canoe, with a dozen schoolboys. He invited me to go to his Kangwe house, for the night, as the steamer will spend the night at Inenga: but, it wd make an early canoe-pull in the morning, to reach the steamer again. Arranged to be with him next Tuesday night. A hot afternoon. A French trader came aboard, at Montaye's: a very rough fellow. Then, to French factory of M. Gazenglit, at Inenga; where, the vessel lay a long time, & a good deal of drinking going on with the factory-men & some passengers. Then, about 5 P.M., on to Holt' factory; slow work of the small west coast very young workmen of the factory in landing heavy loads of goods. Two young clerks of Holt, one a new one, of German with: the

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[illegible], in a vain attempt to show his strength, in lifting a small heavy box at arm's length, let it fall, & broke a plate of [illegible] of the captain, & he spent a long discussion with the Capt., refusing to pay for it. And, in the evening again continued the refusal. While Holt's young English [illegible] Dett(?) was talking with me, this man joined in, & was very complimentary to me, showing that he had heard of me, & trying [illegible] offence of the French missionaries. I think he was intoxicated. Went ashore with the young Englishman; he wanted to show me, in a newspaper, an article of mine he had seen printed.

Saty Jan'y 16. Heavy rain last night. Started at 6.30 A.M. Came on board a young French lady, Mlle Dezallier. At breakfast, she seemed to know me; but I could not converse in French. After breakfast, learned that she was a visitor at Kaingo station, a resident of Talagouga, a friend of Rev Mr Walters gentleman stationed there. I felt much annoyed that I had not been able to converse with her. Passed the Ngunge at 8 A.M. And, thence, on to Nange-like or Nange, John

when steamer stopped to land goods, at a factory, & take on wood. Then, crossed to left-bank of river, & passed by old Belambila. Near it, is a new Belambila, of the French Mission. Then, passed Kava's old town. And, on to the factory, the rough employe of Montage, & landed him & his goods. Then, Faure was awaiting us; he is post-master for that district. And, he joined the steamer, for the ride a few miles higher up, & [illegible] his large Station, Osamakita, near the former old town of King Njâgudembo. Mr. F. Tale one [illegible] their 10 or 12 catechist, examined by their [illegible] inspector, an old missionary from Basuto-land, on their being asked [illegible] had first heard the gospel, they all said, "from [illegible]!" My joy in the fruit of seed not lost! Mr. F. went [illegible] in his canoe, at 3.30 P.M. We had passed, on the other side of river, the little stream Skango, where once I had almost [illegible] of a canoe; and past Nbomi creek, where Hall used to have a trading-house, passed Abanga river; And, then back to left bank, carefully over sand-bars, to Ukogo, by 6 P.M. Then, landing goods for a Frenchman,

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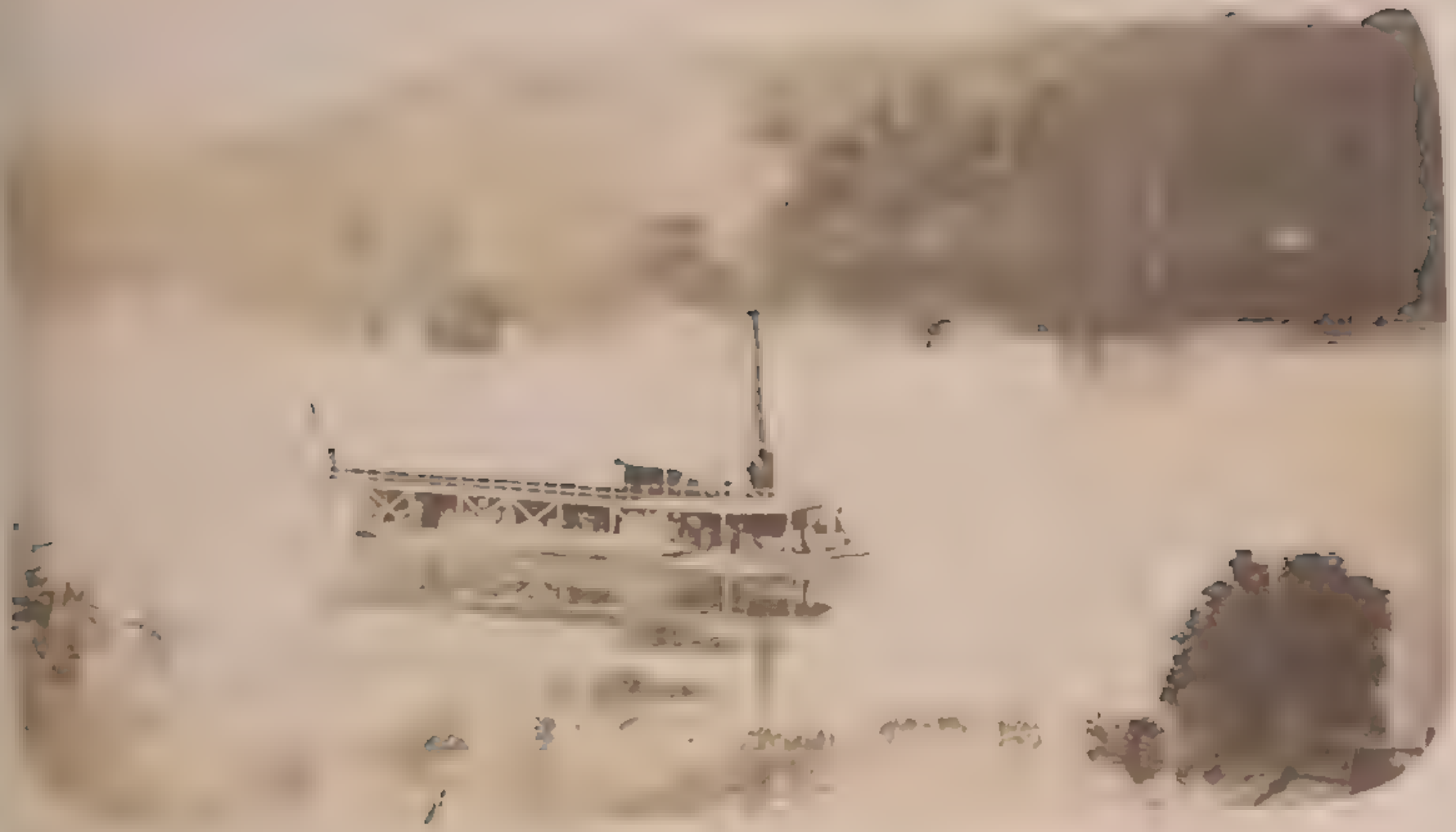
& taking on stores, for fishing. On, in the dark, before the moon rose, past Rerevolo; and, coming to Bitâgâ, was met by Rev. W. Jones, in his boat, coming to meet me, with Fang catechist. He at once sent them to hold meetings on Sabbath, & return to Talagugu on Monday. Himself joined the steamer, with Ombago. On, past Njomee; and anchored in the moonlight, late at night, a few miles below my old Talagugu.

On Sabbath Jany 14. Started again at 6. A.M. Every large rock, & little white [illegible] of mrs Nassau, in its memory. By 7. A.M., were passing the grave, at Talagugu. All the other buildings removed. Solemn thoughts of the past. By 7.30. A.M., had breakfasted, & were at the Nkoli Island (new) Talagugu; & landed. Good-by to my fellow-passengers. And welcomes from Adgâ, & the other young men; & from the school-girls. They invited in cup of welcome. All day a series of glad & [illegible] welcomes. Went to salute Madam Lantz, sister of Rev. Allegat. Also, once, was placed in a house, built of boards of the old Talagugu saw-mill. Washed & dressed. Then invited to [illegible] in church to sit in audience. Agonjo & Mâmbâ were there. Rev. W.



Bon voyage.
Heureux séjour en
Amérique au sympathique
Jacques Nasseau.

Morin

"Avantgarde"
Janv 1906.

mann preached in Nsongwa, with Adzâ (interpreter)
Fang. Lunch, with the 2 Rev. gentlemen. A late
ucharist Service, at ch. I took part, with Rev. Cowe,
Ombago & Agongo. Many former Fang friends came
see me. Just white traders had been invited from
Njoli, for evening; they did not come. At evening
, Mr Lacey & Mr de Guidi (R.C.) were present.
iscussion of Native questions, polygamy, &c.
On Monday 15: The "Avantgarde" went down river.
Ate breakfast at canoe, with Ombago & Adzâ took me
Njoli "post", to see Mr Ba, with whom I had had
solemn talk about his backsliding. He was not
Attendance's house, but one foot deeply in the
d in the landing. Walked back; met former
lwa school-boy, [illegible], & others; & ~~Ayuk~~.
Came of the Captain of the "Avantgarde".

Marions

Talaguga (Jan. 1, 1906)

At [illegible], [illegible], a white trader presented me with some native curios. There also, I met the woman, Aziga, who formerly was with Argentyne helping in care of daughter Mary, inquired after her brother, Hugo, & [illegible] young. Stopped at all the Factories. At Holt's, met Agent Hawkins, & his assistant, Mr Heller(?) & Mr. Dick, who is sick. And then, to H. & C., to Mr. Nelson, who gave me the C.E "Glory Song" on his phonograph. Back to Talaguga; & Mr. Hermann brought his Catechist class of 10; one of them remembered the night I had stopped at trader Harrington's factory, at Nabonii, when he was taken by, & had taken possession of the house. And, another remembered him, in a village, after I had told them of God, the old man wanted me to let them know of their relatives in the Spirit-land, from which they believed I had come. Extremely interesting memories of those young men, of Nakala, son of Ndamina (Nyare). Mr Cosset gave me some curios. After lunch, chatted until [illegible] Orubago very helpful in memories, & the sand-bank of white sand, where I sometimes took [illegible]

daughter to play, [illegible]
is still known as "Ozega we Mang". Mr. Cowe's
house is built of the plants of my Talaguga
house. In the evening, we were all entertained,
at Mrs Lang's table, And, when we parted, I
paid good-bye to the ladies; [illegible]
them in the morning. Packed all my things, before
I went to bed. Mr. Cowe had given me some
curios.

On ~~Tuesday~~ Wednesday Jany 16. Was up early; a short breakfast
at Mr. Cowe's; good-bye to Agonjo & Adego, &
all the natives, And, started with Mr. Cowe, at
6.30 A.M. in [illegible], & 8 young catechists (6 of
them Mkâmi) in 2 boats, the 14 miles to Mitonje,
when Mr. C. & Ombago went ashore. And I
went on to Osam-Kitta, by [illegible] 11 [illegible].
Welcomed by Mr. Faure. And, at the house, Mrs
Faure, & infant Madeline, & Rev. Rankine, [illegible]
dinner. And, at the printing-house, was printed
for me a farewell Address; [illegible]
Mr. Rankine, in one canoe, & Mr. F. & I in
another, in less than 1 hour, to [illegible]. Went
at once to site of my Jamu Station Hse. And

Belambila (Jan 17 1906) Kangwa

then, to meeting in the school-shed. Preach only Kinkuwa, son of Kala. A touching preaching Sunday. And then, Mr. Rambaud took a photo of the entire group. And then, paired at the landing, the Bakale singing, as I left, "Proceluit name on mortal tongue, from, blood from". Started at 3.15 P.M. Fang crew of 8 or 10, did not pull well: they fooled in [illegible], & then talked & argued; & one wanted to quit, asked me for matches, wanted to go ashore for food, complained of hunger, & took no notice of my requests for them to hurry. I wanted to reach Kangwa during daylight. But, did not land there till 7.15 at night. And a strong opposing wind had risen, & a storm was threatening. Only 15 minutes after we landed, the rain came. Mr. Gally at the landing, with a lantern. Mrs Gally entertained me soon at supper; for, I was hungry. In evening, Mr. Ottmann came to call. And, I retired early at nine P.M., in the room I was accustomed to occupy, when I used to visit this Andende home. All the other frame houses are fallen & removed.

Wed'y, January 17th: After breakfast, saw the school children. And, by 9.30 A.M., when the rain was dried, walked, with Mr. Bailey & the teacher, Eliingitia, to the house formerly occupied by Mr. Jarvis, & subsequently by Mr. Hong, made of the boards of Mr. Goodis house from the Kâingiva hill-top. The past & improvement of a cistern for water in the ravine up hill, by my old zig-zag path: the site of my first bamboo hut near foot of the hill. The hill-top all overgrown; fruit-trees, a large lemon. Back, around the outside path; by the new Native houses, of school & boys dormitory. Lunch at 11 A.M. Miss Bailey had obtained ivory hair-pins for me, ($3.00). After lunch, at 12.20, heard the whistle of "Aventgude", out in the big river, at the Fort. Was anxious lest it leave before me, but trusted to the captain's promise for 10 A.M. of Thursday, at Orânga. While the canoe was being prepared, Mr. Atkinson took a photo of us, with Mr. & Miss Bailey, on the veranda. And, as I started to the landing, he took a snap-shot on the path; and, at the landing, a shot, as the canoe pushed off, at

Ogowé river (July 1906)

1. P.M., the 10 Kâmi young men pulled admirably all the way. Stopped at branch of river 3 times, to buy mats. At one town (Ngeumgeme? Anigoanes?) recognised a man who had been with me in my first Talagugu building. Warm welcome by the people. At 4 P.M., out into the big river. Stopped at Ayogo's old town, & several others. Welcomed. On to town of wife of Paul Agonjo; been wife of his son Avoragongo. Thunder & gathering storm; rapidly rising; strong wind making waves; the men pulled well & skilfully close along the bank, avoiding the force of the wind and the actual waves in the middle current. I felt some fear about crossing the river at the Orânga point. But, the wind lowered, & the rain beat down the waves, & the men shot the canoe splendidly. And I was at Ngomo by 6.15. Mr. Hall & Mr Ellenberger & Mr & Mrs Pelot, changed by wet clothes. A warm supper; & an evening conversation of pleasure. At bed by 9.30 P.M.

On Thursday, Rose, & was out by 6.45. At once saw the school boys; & Ogula of the

Wambaliga ch., & his wife & 3 children; and the old heathen chief Azage; & Origo his wife; a son of Joktan; old Mamba of Ordnga; the young man Ngita who went with Mrs Kingsley to the Rembwe; and many others: Bought hairpins (about ~~#~~ 4.), & Akundo "grass" cloth (about ~~#~~ 4.) & mats (about #2.). In all, 35 francs. Lunch at 11 A.M. Had walking about the premises; the carpenter shop; & new ship; & brick house; & duck pond; & trees & flowers; & extensive grounds.
At 1.30 P.M. "Avantgude" came: saw a woman, who said she was wife of Aniombago. Good-bye; on the steamer; & at 2 P.M. Immediately motored up three miles for the last 2 days. Sea has been variable, & somewhat rainy.
Left at 2.P.M., A, R.C. priest, on board. Capt. gave me the seat of honor. Missed one of my trunk keys. Did not stop at Igenja, nor Angita, or at any other place; but, at several places, canoes & boats came off with things to sell, bought 5 Katangwa for (Mr.) ; & the pilot bought 3 "grass" cloth mats from Ngenge, for ch., he wanted to charge me 30 F. a piece, but

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I gave him only 20, I had bought from Mr. Hong, for only 10 cts apiece.

Friday, Jany 19th. Did not sleep well last night. Some food slightly nauseated me. By nine A.M. emerged into the Bay (Prince). Paid my passage, 30 francs. As the 200 miles to Njali were 50 francs, I thought the half-way, 100 miles to Ngomo, wd be only 25. Capt. Marian treats me well, & I get his cabin. (see page 113.) At anchor, by 11 A.M. A warm day. In afternoon, all the other passengers went ashore, except the R.C. priest & myself; and the captain did not return until after 7 P.M., making the evening meal late. But, he had champagne bottle opened for all to drink my health, as the official ending of the journey. I did not at first understand the bottle was opened for me; but, I respectfully refused to drink. Went to bed early, as I was sleepy with little sleep of the night before.

Saturday Jany 20th. Rain last night; & it continued almost all day. Had intended to go ashore, & to a little hunting, on the prairie, with Capt. Marian; but, the weather too wet. At noon,

lunch the rolling of the little vessel, before wind & wave almost made me sick. Several passengers had gone ashore in morning. We had expected the "Paraguay" to meet us here today; but, hear it will not be in, from South, until next Monday. Nor has the English steamer, from north, come in as yet. A wet uncomfortable day; the chill wind had its usual effect of making me dull & drowsy.

Sabbath Jany 21. A clouded morning; but, it cleared off by noon. About 10. A.M., went ashore, in the Capt's boat. Posted 2 letters, & was told the Eng. steamer (now by telegram) had been at Libreville on Friday, & some one had seen it passing here, for South, on Saty evening. Also, the "Paraguay" will not be here till next Wedy! Here I shall have to wait; while, had we known this before, I might have followed my original plan & have spent the day with Mr. Haig at Orânga! Went to Hall's, & was invited to stay for dinner at noon. After dinner, he sent his boat to H. & C., & he & I walked the beach, to call on Mr. Millington. And, when the boat came there, Mr. J. & I went

to the American vessel "Helen Wyman", & called on Capt. & Mrs Van Horn, with afternoon tea & cake & music of phonograph. The vessel in such perfect order & neatness! Returned, at 5 P.M., to the "Avant-garde". The explanations of disturbing the R.C. priest, on hearing I was sick, have to be have until today; speaking in Mpongwe, he said over & over "Mi ajumi!" (I'm dead!).

Monday Jany 22. A clear day, with occasional showers. Spent the day in writing, to Mrs Guinness & to Mr. Haug, & a letter in Mpongwe for Mr. Fanna.

Tuesday 23. Had sat up late last night; did not rise till 8 A.M. Unexpectedly, the "Paraguay" was at anchor, before I was dressed. Packed my few things. The other passengers left, one by one, for the "Paraguay", wh., we had heard, wd not leave until to-morrow noon. Waited for Mr. Jansen, of Halle, to come & take me to the "Paraguay"; After being established there, a German steamer came in. Wrote all day an account, for Herr Gamm, of the work in the Ogowe. At 8 P.M., the German steamer went out. And yet mid-night I was wakened by our propeller, over

vessel also going out at full speed!
Wed'y 24. At 7. A.M., was at anchor, at Libreville; & the German steamer came in a ½ hour later. Delay in getting ashore. Delay at the Douanes. Hired a man to carry Abdi's box of Cape Lopez to her mother's house; & I sat there guarding it, over an hour, until Mr. Ainsley came from hospital: in meantime, my own goods were lying at the Douane. Went to Baraka, to ask for a wheelbarrow & boys. Took dinner there. Was startled, by Mrs. Ogden telling me I was to occupy her room. Rather than turn her out, I went to H. & C., & got a room. At 1.30, 3 boys & a barrow was given me, & I sent them to Plateau, to fetch my things. As they were not returned by 3. P.M., I went to meet them, & found them loitering at Mbatavaya bridge. Returned with them. Went to Meyerowitz's, to have him revise my Mpongwe letter to Mr. Faure. He was not at home. Visited Emmanuel & Mengo. Meyerowitz came, to see at the factory. Went to Prayer meeting, & had

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my supper at H. & C., after my return. Sat up late.

Thursday Jany 25th. Spent all the morning writing my letter for Mr. Faure; ~~by steamer came~~ Antyandi and Nenge came to see me. In afternoon, my washing came from Mrs Ainsley. Went to post office, and Daumas, and Holt; and then to Mrs Ainsley; and, returning, met Antyandi; she had been drinking, and her manner was objectionable. Went to see Nenge; she was not in her village; but, on my way back to H. & C., met her; she was under influence of liquor, & I was ashamed to be seen with her. After supper, went to Baraka, on invitation of Mrs ~~Langlais~~ Cunningham, & had ice-cream & a pleasant evening.

Friday 26th. Eng. steamer came. All morning at writing story of my journey to Ogowe. At 11 A.M., went to Baraka, on invitation of Mrs Langlais, for dinner. Returned to H. & C., for my writing, trying to buy some mats, prettier than my Galwa ones. Visited by Nenge, Antyandi, Tito, & other women, and Mpyowakeno.

Sat. 27th Visited by Mrs Ainsley, who gave me 2 pretty mats; by Mpyowakeno, who sold me one; by Elder Sonin, who gave me a native antelope; by Nenge & their Governor. Completed my story. Mrs Cunningham came to

arrang. about taking my things to the "Adbor". After dinner, went to Baraka; bought [illegible]; got my plants; said good-by. Mr. Cunningham went ahead, to arrange the boat. Mr. Langlois went to beach with me; good-by to Mrs Lewis. Good-by to Mr Hudson & his clerks. Threatening clouds. At 2.30, started. In half hour, rain came down swim; but, as from [illegible]. But from [illegible], very black clouds to the east, & a tornado overtook us; feared it would [illegible] us away from the steamer; great relief when we got in lee of the steamer. All soaking wet. Things carried on deck. Tea with Mr. Langlois, & a Spaniard going to Elobi. Good-by to Mr Langlois; steamer off by 5.30. Changed my clothes. Capt., Mill; & the doctor, Ball, the one on "Bellerophon" with me & Mary, in 1891. Anchored off Corisco.

Sabbath 28. Early at Elobi island. Visit from Capt. Milger, of the German steamer. On Sat. night, had ~~the~~ paid my passage to Peter Barker, for England, with liberty to stop off at Bathurst. Went ashore, with Capt. M., to town of H.x C.; saw Bennu; & Brett, Mr. Cuvay; & Freeman; & Hospital; & Govt. Bureau. Mrs. Bennu [illegible]; he came on board, for Fernando Po. Many of the

outrages committed on him, by the Spanish authorities at Elobi. A Spaniard joined us, for Fernando Po: and a native woman in dress, who, paying 1st. class passage, was, at first, not accorded 1st. class finding in the saloon (but was granted later). To "Utaka" Beach, Calabar steamer left: out of the Bay, by daylight; passed the Calabar at Ifo; & we anchored off Nsanje, near Nsumi.

Sunday Jan. 29. All day at Nsume, off of trading-houses of M. & C., taking produce, principally red-wood, Natives recognising me: Strange shipping his cacao-beans; Mozgamba, a former Benita Elder, now a Christian. Mr. Barnes, my fellow passenger on "Soto" of 1904, on his way to Fernando Po: & a Spaniard. Started at 10. P.M.

Tuesday. By 6. A.M., in sight of Batanga; and, by 7. A.M., at anchor, signs of rain. Good-byes; and ashore by 7.30. Only a few people on board. My goods carried up to the house. Receiving welcomes all day. Rev. Mr. Hemingway came to visit me. The Inquiring Class, in afternoon. Hunting for keys, with which to open my large steamer trunk, where by I mislaid, at Mr. Hang's house, in the Ogoja. Drying my

Ogowe matting, & putting away travelling things. In evening Prayer-meeting, Licentiate Mangatifa led, but without dignity, & in a most mumbling manner of talking.

Wedy Jany 31: All day, putting away things, and examining trunks, and receiving visitors, and sending notes to Ekikihiki. After supper, went to pay my bill at Mr. Ackermann's; but, he was too busy with a caravan of porters from the Interior. Very sleepy in evening; did not go to the extra Prayer-meeting, & retired early.

Thursday Feby 1: Paid my bill at the Factory. German steamer brought mail of newspapers only. Still busy with rearranging, from my journey; and visitors all day; one unpleasant one, Ntowa, husband of Pahamé, who wanted Ralph, & offered for sale a spear, whose price I was to name, When I offered a good price of 2 marks, he wanted 3, Was annoyed at his bringing to mind (his friend & mine) the extortions of trading-practice, when I had offered generous prices. At night, a long pleasant chat with Ekâkia & old Mekum, on Ekâkia's experiences of her journey to Libreville.

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Friday, Feby 2. All day, either writing letters, or receiving visitors. After supper, went to see how the carpent was progressing on Ekâkin's house. Found ~~the~~ the members of the Mission at ~~the Station~~ Ehikiki had been trying to get him away from her service to their own work. Friday Lecture, on Sab. Sch. Lesson, conducted by Ndanga-Pipa. After Service, Ekâkine came, to tell me of carpenter ~~at~~ Janga trying to make her carpenter dissatisfied with his pay: a very mean act on part of Janga, & also of the missionaries at this Station.

Saty, 3. Sabbath 4. Monday 5. } Continued, all morning, at letters, & sent them by 12.30. Felt exhausted, in afternoon; and, by 5. P.M., some signs of nausea & very slight vertigo, showing I had fever. Took medicine & retired early. On Sabbath, medicine had failed to act; & though I dressed, I cd. not go to church or do anything all day.

On Monday still weak; did very little but receive visitors. A summons from the Commandant, for porters to carry ammunition to their war in the Interior; many young men were called away from their work. And Ekâkin's carpenter was summoned. I gave

him a letter of excuse, & hope he will be released. Even the 3 old men, who had been working on Kákie's house, were taken. Was not able to do much all day; had taken a little walk for exercise, to see King Bobala & Mr. Herrendorf's Factory, & at Mr. Ackermann's; but became very tired. Retired early.

Tuesday Feby 6th. Felt better, but still weak. Finished copying first draft, of the Folk-lore Tales. Began to divide my books, wh. to keep for the U.S., & wh. to give away. Read; but, did not do much. Town very quiet, so many men being taken away. Went to the Factory twice, at 4.30. P.M. and 5.30; but, Mr. Ackermann was not in. Heard of his unjust imprisonment of the woman, Wedme. At Prayer meeting, at night. Warm weather days.

Wed. 7th. Am well again. A heavy tornado, from the north, with its cold unhealthful wind, made me close all doors & windows, & wrap myself in a blanket. Taking notes all day, from Prof. Meinhof's, for a Digest. In evening, an unsatisfactory discussion with Kákie, about the things I bought for her at Libreville.

Thursday, Feby 8th. Beautifully bright clear day. Wrote

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some letters; and, in afternoon, selected and divided a portion of my library to be given away, when I shall leave, in April. Beautiful moonlight, but very tired & sleepy; retired early.

Friday Feby 9th. Another warm day. Heard that Dr. Lippert and family had arrived, from Elat, for his stay at Ekikiriki. Continued, all morning, at the Phy Minutes, for a Digest; dull & sleepy, in afternoon, small, attention at Ndenga-Pipa's Evening Bab. Sch. lesson. Very quiet in the villages, notwithstanding the moonlight, usually used for dancing and drumming; many young men away on the caravan of the Government.

Saty, Feby 10th. Another warm day. Packed my box of books, for the journey to America, two months hence. Wrote some letters. Ekakire came to acknowledge his fault. Sister Bella went to attend Station meeting at Ekikiriki, to which I was invited only as an honorary (?) member! Made a list of the books I packed. Received Bill from Mr. Pearson & Co. of Lobi, for the building materials of Ekakire house.

Sabbath 11th. A warm day. Mr. Heminger preached;

Mrs Adams was present. Read a good deal; and looked over mission letters. Was not at Sab. Sch.; but attended evening Service. After supper, had gone to see Ekâtine, who was sick. Deacon Kola with a very bad thumb, festering from an accidental cut by a machete.

Monday Feby 12th. A very warm day. Wrote letters. In afternoon, got out my Wardian case, in wh. to begin to collect plants for taking to the U.S. News of the spread of small-pox, at Kribi, & on the Interior. Went to Kuigi, to get boxes for my packing. Expected to go to see King Bobala; but, he was going a journey north. The small-pox scare preventing caravans coming down from Interior. Dark night, with threatening clouds.

Tuesday 13th. Started a man to Kribi, with cacao, & money for bills at Lobi & Kribi, & letters to go south; by expected English steamer. At the Digest. A cold north storm came, with depressing cold. In afternoon, closed up my box of books for the U.S. Mr. Hancinger came, to consult about direction of the Church, buying land, &c. In the evening, after Prayer meeting, my message returned from Kribi.

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Late in afternoon, Mr. Harrendorf had called, to let me know of the German Governor's orders to all white people's employees, to be sent, for vaccination.

Feby 14: Ill all last night, with an attack of my stomach vertigo and vomiting: was exhausted by it; but, it did not go on to fainting. In morning, rose & dressed slowly, but feared my sensitive stomach to go out, until I had had breakfast brought to me. But, was too weak to do anything all morning. In afternoon, did a little about packing, & preparing my Wardian plant case. Divangi came to me, wanting to have her excommunication removed. Dr. Lippert came, to prescribe for sister. A warm day, but cool morning.

Thursday 15th. Felt better, in morning. Did some work at digest. Went to King's Factory: the "Nachtigall," passed south, & air-storm. The German doctor, vaccinating in Nobale's town. The "Bartlamma" came, from north. In afternoon, my nausea & some vertigo returned, & I did nothing, to read, or write, or work. Feel better, in morning. Dark storm-clouds, at night.

Friday 16th. A very heavy rain, last night. My stomach was still uncertain to-day; but,

proceeded in painting 2 of my trunks. Did a little writing and some reading. Report of a death of a man of Bwambe, who was one of the drafted carriers for the Govt. expedition sent 10 days ago: the Lolodorf officer had forced them to go to the far Interior, & some had run away, & came back to the coast. Mr. Hemming, at night, changed the Friday evening Meeting. Very dark night with clouds, & lightning flashing.

Saty Feby 17. Nauseated, almost all day; but, at intervals, worked. Helped the man mend a railing for the backsteps toward the kitchen. Reports of the spread of small-pox, in the Interior: ~~four~~ of the carriers had run away & reached home, among them, the younger Mene. A Key of Dr. Lippert's found my steamer trunk, & I gave it back to Mr. Lippert. Dr. Lippert called, to see sick. [illegible]

Sabbath 18. My nausea & vertigo prevented me rising for prayers & breakfast. Rain in morning. Could not go to church, because of nausea. Dr. Lippert & his daughter Nelly came. After church, he prescribed for my pictures. Sat up all day. But did not go to church. Female friends visited me.

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Monday Feby 19th. Felt much better, by use of Dr. Lippert's prescription. Resumed my making of the Digest. Rain, in morning, & very cold weather; clear and warm in afternoon. Gave Betanne and young Dick two the Christmas present I had bought for them in Libreville. At night, great morning in town, at news of death, at Duala, of Ndondo, an albino son of old Mokuve, & of the sickness of other young men, who had gone to Duala for work.

Tuesday 20th. Slight rain, in morning. Day cleared finely. Worked on the Digest; completed second draft. Gave Bolombola a present I had got for her and at Libreville. Went to get olive oil, at the Factory, for Sister Bella. Mr. Ackermann with few goods, the English steamer having passed south with them. A caravan of Interior people, whom he has to feed, during the 2 weeks that the quarantine regulation continues for small-pox. Very few people at Prayer Meeting.

Wed'y 21st. Rain early, in morning, and up to 10 A.M. Wrote 2 letters. Weather cleared. In afternoon, packed my framed diplomas. Afte.

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suppose, went to see old Tuchuwe, in sympathy for her mourning, but they were eating & I turned away. At the beach, a steamer (German) was disappearing north of Kibi. A man, Nevândâ, was being carried to his town, from the doctor's, who had set his broken leg, — leg broken in running away from a father who was driving him from a dalang with his daughter;

Monday Feby 19th. The good news that the company of young men, who were reported to have been ordered to go on, from Lolodorf, for 9 days, had not gone, but were returning, by way of Ebalungâ (Elat). Wrote a very long letter to Rev. W. S. Lanning. Not, in afternoon, completed the packing & marking of my box of diplomas. Dr. Lippert called, to see me. Cloudy afternoon; rainy evening.

Friday 23d. A clear bright day. But, my eyes were very tired, & I could do no writing or reading. In afternoon, went to Ekikitike, & accomplished a number of errands with Rev. Adams and Dr. Lippert; & collected a few plants on my way back, for [illegible] Wadian, esq., for Museum. Little puffer, went to sea from the carpenters were doing on Ekikitike's house.

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Saturday 24. Left Bette Town at early time this morning, reached Kwa Lete, and conveyed some of my boxes, letter for Mr. Smith, to Kribi, by Elder Bapiste, by way of Douala, & back next month. Went to Factory, with Mr. Ackermann & Mr. Hornsdorf, & the German merchants. Arranged the contents of the box goods. Then brought some months agent of Sam Healthy: King Mondola called to see me.

Sabbath 25. A very warm day. Mbenga Bipa conducted the Services; but he mumbles his words so that I can not understand him. Mrs Adams, & Dr. Effect & his daughter Molly present. Small number at evening lecture. Good night, with flashes of lightning.

Monday 26. The expected storm last night did not come, Ethelwine stopped early on her way to Kribi; A variable day of weather. Began final copy of the Digest. About 4.15 PM, the "Nigeria" came from South, & anchored, & began to discharge cargo. The Factory Mr. Wood, formerly of Nixe, at Libreville, came ashore. Mail last Thursday, from the Gov'ment came. News of Mr. & Mrs

Cunningham, of Baetika, was on board, on their way to the U.S., have letter to Rev. Wood, for the U.S.

Tuesday Feby 27. At 6. A.M., was awakened by a knock at the door, by Mr. Akerman's messenger. Hastily dressed, & at the Factory, got a cup of tea. Off to the steamer. Felt faint & short of breath on reaching the deck, because of having eaten nothing. Almost became sea-sick. Purser Wood, & Mr. Thomas formerly of Globe, & the Spaniard, who was a passenger on the "Jabba" with me in Jany. Capt. Anderson very angry at his boat's crew being so late. Purser Wood & also the chief Officer forgot to put my package from Lounge into the boat. On reaching shore, was quite faint. Wrote a letter to Kubi, for my Lounge package. Worked at the Digest. Went to Mud Gault. Ekakie returned from Kubi. About 4. P.M., Rev. & Mrs Cunningham called, on their way from the steamer. After Prayer meeting, Ekakie came to tell me of all the happenings of the past two days. [illegible] a long weary day.

Wedy, 28. [illegible] little jobs, Later Ekakie returned from Kubi, & returned the cod-liver

Wednesday (March. 1906)

mail. Notes to Mrs. Adams & Dr. Lippert, mending my clothes. Went to factory, for mosquito-netting, for Betame; but, all had been sold. Completed an index to the Digest. Mrs Adams came, afternoon, to visit the sick in town. Dr. Lippert came later. A very warm day. And, in afternoon, the messenger of Rev. Nubda, of Ubangi, started back; sent with him, a package of books for Rev. Ngande. Later, came Mr. Ackerman's messenger of Saturday, back from Kribi, bringing the little box of carved ivories from the "Eugenie" and Lango.

Thursday Mar. 1st, Rose with very tired eyes, and was not able all day to read or write. Went to factory, in morning, to pay my bill; but, Mr. A. could not change a £5. note. Also, weighed the ivories of Saturday, in order to identify them. A boat came, from Rax Nyongo, from Hanga, and Benita. A few letters came, from nowhere, I do not know by what means.

Friday Mar. 2nd. Another warm day. Wrote letters. In afternoon, Rax Hennigan came, to teach his teacher's class. Was indignant, at what

candidate Ejiamaro told me, of efforts of the two lay missionaries of the Station, to compel him to go to Elat, for instruction. At the evening singing there was the same noisy chanting by the young people, on their leaving the house, as in the past. Moonlight; very quiet in the villages.

Saty. Mar. 31. A slight rain, in the morning. Sent Masinda to Kibi, to pay bill for the carved iron's. Wrote long letter to Sec'y Morris; and other letters. Late in afternoon, the "Pittsburgh" came in. Moonlight. A warm day.

Sabbath Mar. 1. News of the sickness of a married young daughter of Etu, of Metafell. Very few people at church, away at the dying woman's house; a desecration of the day. P.S. Morris preached; Mr. & Mrs. Adams present. A warm day. Tea with Mr. & Mrs. H. at dinner. Heard there was a very small Sab. S-h; people still at Kobi. While Pastor Bokka was sick in bed, alone, while we were at church, in the morning, a little boy entered the back door, to steal. The first known attempt of the kind at this house. The Native Carpenter people, at the factory, noisily singing

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Monday, March 5: Another very warm day. Af the Tales again, revising them. Went to see Stakisi who is sick. A portion of the mail came, about 5.30 P.M., same the remainder of the mail; an unpleasant letter from Rev Halsey. Two good letters from Denis Bennison.

Tuesday 6: Heard that Mr. Powell had returned yesterday, from the Interior; went to welcome him at the prayer meeting, eh. Mr. P. had bought for me before he went away to the Interior. Very warm day. Sister Bella & I read to each other some of our letters of yesterday. In afternoon, went to Ehikhike, to Mr. Adams, on business; and called on Mrs Lippat. And, on the way back, stopped to see King Bobala, who had just returned from Small Batanga. Heavy clouds, at night, threatened a big rain just before Prayer Meeting; but, only a short blow of wind & little rain.

Wedy, March 7: Another clear warm day. Paid my Foby Board-bill to Sister Bella. Waiting final copies of the Tales. In afternoon, Elder Mbwana's wife died, in childbirth with twins. In the evening, the

boat of Rex Nyongo started back to Nsila, with a bullock he had bought. Dr. Lippert had come, during the afternoon, to prescribe for Mr's Mr. Bella.

Thursday March 8. Copying the Tales. Some rain in the morning. Went to King's, to have my ivories weighed. Mr. Powell told me about the quarrel, between him and Mr. Ackermann. Heard that, at the burial of Elder Mwame's wife, some people wanted to carry out a heathen practice of opening her swollen abdomen, to let out the disease. Also, that it was proposed to give the motherless babe to the Roman Catholic mission; and that Mr. Henninger had assented to this! Bright moonlight. Women along the beach, for small fish.

Friday 9 } At 7.30 A.M., started, with a young man
Sat'y 10 } carrying my suitcase, to Kribi. Walked all the way, using the beach most of the way. Tide very low. Stopped at Kribi, at Elder Endonda's house, to leave my baggage, & say I wd. stay there at night. The women of the house impolite; they did not offer me a seat. On to H. & C. by 11 A.M. Mr. Sommerburg was sick. Rested. Took meals with the clerks. After lunch, a Mr. Danger, clerk of

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~~Mr~~ J. Holt, was telephoned to go with me, at 3.P.M., to interpret for me, at the Commandant's office, about the signing of a deed for the Minnesota land. Returned, & bought stamps at Post-office; & found 2 pieces of mail there, for other members of Mission. Rested. Evening dinner again with the clerks, Mr. Beattie, Solomon, Collett, & 2 others. After dinner was sent, in canoe, across river, & I called at Holt's; met the third clerk. Went to Ndondo's house, & slept. Moonlight. Native dances in the town.

On Saty, went to Holt's for 7. A.M. cup of tea, with Mr. Morris; and then back to Ndondo's, & started at 7.50. A.M.; Goodbye to Rev. Edenwa, Chief King Nadola; and, on the way for several miles, King Bakeba, and others; Bakebas; and King Bering and others, all going to Court at the Commandant's. At Ikikiike, stopped for a few minutes, at Dr. Lippert's, and at Mr. Adams. And here by 11.A.M. Sister Bella sick with a cold. In afternoon, wrote on Sales; and went to Mr. Powell's and paid my bill for Feby. Very warm afternoon.

Sabbath Mar. 11. Sister Bella with a very bad cold, peaned

able to afford. Rev Hemmingway preached. Mrs Adams & Dr. Lippert at church. Mr. H. & Mr. A, stayed to dinner. Dr. L. arranged for sister should go to Chikili for treatment, for a few days. A very warm afternoon. Felt very well, and unusually strong. Think the long walk to Ruibi benefitted. Bright moonlight.

Monday, March 12. A very warm morning. Dr. Lippert came late, his men asking an exorbitant pay for hammock work. So, the 2 men here were taken from their other work, & carried Sister Bella, about 10. A.M.; Dr. L. on his wheel, and Mrs Adams on the donkey. Finish copying of the Tales. Sent Ndanga-Bobala to the Factory, for tobacco & biscuit. The Girls School with only a small number; the 2 teachers taught only part of the time. A messenger came, from Ichinji, with letters from Rev Mbuela.

Tuesday, Mar. 13. A warm day. Wrote letters for the U.S. and to Rev. Dager. Set one of the men at pulling up the big weeds in the front premises. In afternoon, sent Masinda to Chikiliki, with clothing for Sister Bella, and bread & other provisions. Wife, in the morning, came for note to Dr. Lippert, for some

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sticks of W. India bamboo. And, in afternoon, he came for a saw to cut them in lengths, for the roof of Ekätie's house. After school, Bolombaka & Betame went to Ehitshike, to see Sister Bella, & they visited me on their return. Dark evening; moon rises later. In afternoon, Chief visitor Bobala & he gave me the figure-head of his late racing canoe, & an elinda drum, which I am to send for to-morrow. And I sent him my photograph framed. He would take nothing for the figure-head he had furnished for Ekätie's house. While I was at his house, an offending Bohebe man was receiving a flogging.

Wed. Mar. 14th. Another hot day. Last night very warm. Sent Massinda on errand to Sister Bella; & Nganga to King Bobala for the promised figure-head. Wrote letters; & continued at the Tales. Only the usual visitors, Bolombaka, Betame, Ekätie, and the young man Kitadelubani.

Thursday 15th. Another very warm day. The "English" steamer at Kibi. Arrangements with Mr. Burell for boxing my canoe figure-head. Writing letters; and at the Tales. The usual visitors; and more in

the afternoon, after the women's Kwaya meeting, Bolinga, Makâmi, young Mabuwe, & several others, Mail came. Good letter from daughter Mary. News of the death of Mrs Patten (Son Charles guardian).

Friday Mar. 16. A rain last night cooled the air. A German steamer came to anchor here; but the English steamer is still at Kribi. At Tales, most of the day, was annoyed by Njé and Embilo, who had been working for Ekâtine, came to seek additional wage from me; and, I blamed her for she had not paid them sufficiently, have to Betume the bunch of palm-nuts I had bought yesterday after Ekata had objected to the price.

Satdy 17. To day was cooler and cloudy. W. Howell paint the carpenter for the day, in the to enclose that canoe figure-head. Messages back and forth, to Pastor at Ekikiki. Ekâtine explained about the trouble of Njé yesterday. Heavy rain in afternoon; and more at in evening. At night, Ndolo Mandola visited me, the [illegible], Efile, brother of Ekitike, dying in Mbalmayo town. Dark rainy night. The Eng. steamer anchored in Batanga.

Distance [illegible]

Batanga Parish, from Bongahili, south

Localities	Population	Ch. members	Ch. Attendance	Inquiry class
Bongahili; 3 miles, to				
Ebunja; 2¼ miles, to	80	12	19 (adults) besides children	8
Mondotingě; ¾ miles, to	50	9	5 "	3
Ulěndědibě; 2¼ miles, to	30	2	13 "	
Mbâdě (small); 1½ miles, to	20		10	
Bohoboleka; 1½ miles, to	40	2	19 "	
Mbâdě (large); 2¼ miles, to	30	1	16 "	
Bombingwě; 1½ miles, to	25	2	21 "	
Lolabe; 2¾ miles, to	70	8	17	6
Masawa.				

Dividing line from the Uběnji Parish.

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At Libreville January 1906
Eshoom

1. Ndongo (Fangwe) X
2. Ongâm X
3. Akandege
4. Taiwum
5. Alika X
6. Mr Lewis
~~Alika~~
7. Sinclair X
8. Elder Bonnet [illegible] (21)
9. Elder Iguwe
10. Alale
11. Gieli X
12. Nuahuwa
13. (a third at Nkina's)
14. Ogandaga
15. Ikaongo X
16. Ngwewabela X
17. Senâ
18. ~~Ndwas~~ Idengâ X
19. Onwengembêm
20. Baro X
22. Ovanga (of Nenge)
23. " X (of Ngatchi)
24. Ntyuwakeno X
25. Ntyârere X
26. Idengâ
27. Wawa X

Sent members market X
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27. Ngia (of Nouba
28. ——— " "
29. ~~Adiri~~ Siawe
30. ~~Eigbadu~~ Autoarande
31. Ntyangouégowo
32. Nyangi
33. Nus Ennuz
34. Ndembo
35. Ennunguri
36. Angie (Ngi
37. Njabo
38. Ayoubo
39.

Dec. 1905 Welcomes St Lib[illegible] Galoon. January 1906

The Baraka mail-carrier Ovenga
Bushwalla's daughter —
. Djuli X and the village of Mpeia
women at Izuwa village
Nenge
women at Retiga's village
Tito — and Olamba village
. Ntyewakeno X
. Ongâm X
. Akendye
. Alika
. Sinclair X } and their village
. Mbago X
. Idinge X
women at Akaigane village.
Ovwange-Bella
. Wawa } and their hamlets
Fata }
. Ngiya. of Nomba, and their village
. Jonie XX and his village
Lucina
Paia X
Mr. Green } and their village
Arwewa
. Osaongani X — and their village
. Ntyangonigona X and his village

Great persons marked 1920